Issue No 115 Available from Wednesday, November 25, 2009



## MONEY MATTERS

Our pull-out guide on ways to make your money go further



# KEY ROLES AT TURNER NOW UP FOR GRABS

THE first jobs at Margate's Turner Contemporary gallery are to be advertised this weekend, with six key roles on offer.

The gallery is scheduled to open in 2011 and staff will be required to do everything from running the coffee shop to looking after the collections.

The highest-paid of the roles is that

The highest-paid of the roles is that of development manager, with a pay packet of £36,000 a year.

A sales and marketing manager will earn £34,000 and so will the finance manager's post. A learning officer, a

#### **EXCLUSIVE**

BY TOM BETTS

curator of public programmes and the curator will each earn £25,000.

The closing date for all six job applications is Wednesday, December 16, with interviews in January.

with interviews in January.

The roles will be paid for by the Turner Contemporary Trust, set up by Kent County Council and Arts Council England.

Paul Gray, head of operations and resource, said: "These are the first senior level roles we are recruiting for as

part of the new trust, going across the curatorial, learning and operations functions part of the organisation.

"I think they will be very soughtafter jobs. Hopefully there will be people within Kent who will grab the
opportunity, but I feel that this has
the capacity to attract people from
anywhere. It will be a world-class
gallery so we need world-class people."
Mr Gray said the jobs had been
advertised on schedule with the re-

Mr Gray said the jobs had been advertised on schedule with the recruitment plan and another raft of job recruitment could take place around April next year.

The David Chipperfield-designed CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



## POLLY PROVES TO BE REAL CRACKER

A Broadstairs dog has carried off the title of best bitch at a leading show. Polly Anna, a Shih Tzu-poodle cross-breed aged seven, won in the grand final of the Companion Dog Club Competition at London's leading dog event, Discover Dogs 2009, at Earls Court.

The triumph came in the Best Rescue Dog category of the competition

The triumph came in the Best Rescue Dog category of the competition as she has spent long periods of her life in rescue centres after enduring a great deal of suffering.

One family she lived with subjected her to horrendous cruelty.

Owner Jakki Mattingly said: "When we got her from the rescue centre she was so frightened and nervous. After coming to a loving family she was able to overcome her fear of children and now works as a canine client contact, assisting adults and children as well with therapy sessions.

Caroline Kisko, Kennel Club spokeswoman, said: "The Companion Dog Club competition is always one of the great highlights of Discover Dogs as it gives all kinds of dogs the chance to shine. I'm sure the contestants had a fantastic day and we'd like to congratulate Polly Anna and Jakki on their fabulous success with this truly remarkable story."



#### WHAT'S ON & WATCH

yourkenttv.co.uk

**ALL YOUR LOCAL STORIES:** Watch videos of all the major news stories in your area

O Upload your favourite clip

#### **ALSO INSIDE**

LEISURE... PAGES 20-26, 47-49PROPERTY... PAGES 51-62MOTORING... PAGES 63-64JOBS... PAGES 66-68SPORT... PAGES 70-71



Tel: 01843 841922 Fax: 01843 844255 www.fireplaceandstonecentre.co.uk Open Mon-Sat 9am - 5pm

196-198 Canterbury Road, Birchington CT7 9AQ





Fireplaces • Gasfires • Woodstoves • Chimney Lining • Kiln Dried Log Supplies

### **WHAT'S ON & WATCH** yourkenttv.co.uk

#### **TOP TV CLIPS**





Dave Lee is Tinkerbell in this year's Canterbury panto. See the preparations. Search 'Peter Pan' @yourkenttv.co.uk



(6) (0) (6)

David Pybus talks about his range of fragrances inspired by history. Search 'Scents of Time' @vourkentty.co.uk





All the build up for Gills' weekend game with manager Mark Stimson. Search 'Gills' @yourkenttv.co.uk

**SEE OUR SISTER PAPERS KENT ON SUNDAY AND THE SATURDAY EDITION FOR ALL THE WEEKEND'S COUNTY NEWS AND SPORT** 

**EDITOR:** Dave Mairs 01303 817022 **GROUP EDITOR:** Gary Wright 01303 817032 WEBSITE: www.yourthanet.co.uk TELEPHONE ADVERTISING: 01303 817110 FAX: (Advertising) 01303 817002



EMAIL: Editorial: yourthanet@kosmedia.co.uk. Sales: advertising@kosmedia.co.uk HEAD OFFICE ADDRESS: Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR

© 2007 KOS Media. yourthanet.co.uk by KOS Media award-winning publications

## Definitive book on Dreamland's past updated to salute 90th anniversary

#### BY TOM BETTS

A BOOK recounting the long history of Dreamland has been reissued.

Dreamland Remembered, by freelance journalist Nick Evans, is printed by Bygone Publishing.

It has been updated and expanded to celebrate the Margate amusement park's 90th birthday.

It includes some 250 old illustrations from a variety of different sources, has seven chapters and is seen by many as a definitive history of the much-loved attraction.

Mr Evans said: "This new edition

boasts a lot more historical detail than the earlier versions as well as featuring dozens of new photo-graphs, some of which are in colour."

The book was first published in 2003, but Mr Evans felt it was time to update it because of "all that has happened since that time".

"I felt the time was right to bring it

up to date," he said.

To put the new edition together, he has been lucky enough to have access to extensive archives.

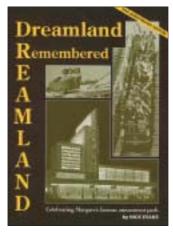
He said: "At the beginning of 2008, I was fortunate to be given access to Margate Museum's collection of photographs and many are included in this 90th-anniversary edition.

"Of course, the museum has since closed, so I'm glad I made the effort at the time.

"Many more photographs and much of the information comes from my own extensive collection of Dreamland material, saved by my late father Bill Evans in 1981.

Mr Evans's father was the Dreamland press officer for much of the 1970s and saved lots of memoribilia such as posters and brochures from his time there.

The 90th-anniversary edition also include photos of the Scenic Railway





TIME WARP: Nick Evans's book charts the popular theme park up to the present day

fire in 2008, and a quick look at the future, the planned heritage theme park and a look at recent events such as the filming of the movie Exodous.

The book costs £15.99 and is available from bookshops around Thanet, including Michael's Bookshop, Ramsgate; Lovely's Gallery, Clifton-ville; Bee Antiques, Broadstairs; and branches of WH Smith and Waterstone's at Westwood Cross.

To buy online visit, Amazon.com or www.joylandbooks.co.uk.

You can also buy via mail order. Send a cheque for £17 (includes P&P) to Nick Evans, PO Box 201, Whitstable, Kent CT51WT.

#### yourthanet **NEWS** IN BRIEF

#### Bag a Christmas gift at farmers' market

THE popular Cliftonville Farmers' Market returns on Sunday.

The Oval Lawns, Eastern Esplanade, will host the award-winning market from 10am-1pm.

Producers will be selling vegetables, cakes, fruit juices, meat, breads, cheese, eggs, cookies, plants, fudge, olives, chut-neys, fruit pies, preserves and pasta meals and a host of other treats that could make great Christmas presents.

Refreshments will be available and customers will also be able to place orders for the later Christmas market, to be held on December 20.

#### **Dutch biker in search** for missing Truelove

DO you know a man called Roger Francis Truelove?

A motorcyclist from the north of The Netherlands hopes so as he still has the keys to his powerful Ducati.

Harry Stuut, from Garmerwolde, says he bought the red Ducati 749 machine from Mr Truelove and is eager to find him as only he has a spare key.

Mr Stuut says Mr Truelove may

have moved from the address he has for him in Margate Road, Ramsgate, and is eager to get in touch. He said: "I hope someone will help, as it will cost

me 1,000 euros to buy a new key" Can you help? Email thomas.betts@ kosmedia.co.uk, or phone Yourthanet on 01303 817156.

#### **Yuletide visits from Rotary Club abound**

THE Rotary Club of Ramsgate will be out and about with Father Christmas this yuletide.

The club will be in Minster and Ramsgate on the following dates

December 2, 6pm in Cliffsend;
December 4, 6pm in St. Luke's
Avenue; Sunday, December 6, 4pm in
Minster; December 8, all day outside Sainsbury's; December 9, all day outside Sainsbury's and at 6pm in Dumpton; December 11-12 outside Tesco in Manston and on December

13 in Ellington from 4pm. More collections will follow.

#### Christmas menu at St James's E16 per person, 4 courses

#### STARTERS

Soup of the day served with crusty bread Prawn Cocktail Melon and Parma Ham



3a Broad Street, Ramsgate **CT11 8NQ** Tel: 07511 018764

Roast Turkey Sausage and bacon roll, Stuffing ball, Roast Potato's Brussel Sprouts, Red cabbage, Honey roasted Parsnips Gravy and cranberry Sauce

#### DESSERT'S

Christmas Pudding Brandy Sauce or Custard, or Cream Selection of Home-made Ice Cream

## We will fight council sale of Albion House'

BY TOM BETTS

THE home of Ramsgate Town Council is being sold in a move that could leave the new authority without a proper home.

Thanet council has accepted an offer for Albion House, which was put up for sale last year as part of the council's asset-management programme.

The authority will not say who has made the offer for "commercially confidential" reasons.

Campaigners are still fighting to halt the sale as they want to see Albion House remain as the town's civic centre.

One believes she has documents in her possession that could force the council to abandon the move

Ramsgate resident Ruth Coussens said: "I have original sale deeds and conveyance from 1900 which show the building was sold to the mayor, alderman and burgesses of Ramsgate

"The council has no right to sell the building. I'm sure of it and certain these documents will stand. We will fight this. It's an appalling decision as it's such a historic building.

However, a council spokeswoman said those conditions would not stop the council selling the building: "The covenants were checked prior to the decision to dispose and do not prevent a sale.

Town councillors recently voted to keep the building as their base for meetings, but they could end up having to lease the building.





**OBJECTION:** Town councillor Gerry O'Donnell believes that the sale of Albion House flies in the face of townspeople's moral and possible legal rights

The mayor's parlour is also in the building. Mrs Coussens and colleagues have collected 2,000 signatures on a petition to protest against the sale of the Grade II-listed building.

The council spokeswoman said: "In line with the council's asset-management strategy, Albion House was advertised in Estates Gazette and local papers.

"The council can confirm that we have accepted an offer for the property, which is going through the legal process. Because of commercial confidentiality, we cannot comment further."

Ramsgate town councillor Gerry O'Donnell was instrumental in setting up the new body, which came into being earlier this year.

He said: "I understand Thanet council is selling the freehold to the property and I strongly

object.
"This clearly flies right in the face of public opinion. This is a dismissal of the people of Ramsgate's moral and possible legal rights over

the building.
"We will now have to consider the options available to us as a town council."

#### How to apply for top Turner jobs

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE gallery is still being built at the Rendezvous site near the Margate har-

A topping-out ceremony is being held

at the site on Tuesday next week to mark the highest point of construction. Mr Gray said: "The gallery is really taking shape and I think the advertisements will be a big step toward, making

the project seem even more real.
"It will also be another nail in the coffin of all the doubters who said that it would never happen."

• Do you want to apply for one of the roles? Pick up a copy of Kent on Sunday this weekend and turn to the recruitment section.

People will also be able to apply online at www.turnercontemporary. org, where there is more information on each job.

#### **VIEW THIS CLIP ON**

vourkenttv.co.uk Hour LOCAL TV ONLINE





THE GOLD

EXCHANGE

We are a family-run business in

Ramsgate, Kent, specialising in purchasing

all forms of Gold, Silver & Platinum, Watches, perfect or damaged

We pay **UNBEATABLE** prices on the spot!

So why post your Gold, Silver & Platinum

not knowing what you're sending,

and then receive a cheque?

**RECEIVE CASH ON THE SPOT!** 

Why save Ramsgate's Albion House? Search 'Albion'

#### **Dental care** gets £4.5m investment

TWO new dental surgeries are opening on the isle.

One will be in Broadstairs and the other in Cliftonville as the NHS attempts to provide extra dental care for more Thanet people.

NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent has approved contracts for NHS dental services as part of a £4.5 million investment in dentistry in the eastern and coastal Kent area.

The trust's chief executive, Ann Sutton, said: "Dental provision is a real issue for people, so I am delighted this extra money will make a significant improvement in dental-health services in Thanet.'

Dentalpol Ltd has been awarded the £675,000 contract, which will

the 1970,000 contract, when the start in December.

The surgery at Northdown Road, Cliftonville, will employ four full-time dentists and one part-time.

At Broadstairs the contract for £340,000 was also awarded to Dentalpol and will again start in December. Two dentists will be based in Broadstairs High Street.

A new dental helpdesk has also gone live. People needing NHS dental treatment or a check-up can call 0808 238 9797 free, or you can text 0794 309 1958 for a call-back.

## Gardeners urged to leave berry-laden hedges for birds

CUTTING back hedges and bushes too early this year could starve birds of late autumn berries which they need to eat to survive, says the RSPB.

The mild weather has meant that birds are feasting on insects later this year.

Because they have not had to turn to autumn fruits, many hedgerows are still bursting with berries, which birds rely on to set them up for

Traditionally, people start trimming bushes at this time of year once the breeding season is over.

The RSPB always suggests waiting until later in the winter, but this

year it is even more important.

The wildlife charity says that cutting hedges back now would deprive birds of a vital natural food source, especially as berries become more edible and a more important food source after the first frosts.

Richard James, RSPB wildlife adviser, said: "If cutting can be put off until later in the year, it can provide birds with additional food.

"Usually, once any late nesters have flown the nest, we would say it was a good time to start tidying hedgerows and trimming bushes and shrubs.

"But this year, the weather only started to get really chilly in the last few days, and there are still plenty of

berries on many hedges.
"We'd urge anyone thinking of a tidy-up to wait just a few more weeks until the natural food has been eaten.

The RSPB is appealing to gardeners, farmers and councils to wait until later in the winter or very early spring when all the berries and fruit have been eaten.

It also suggests cutting hedges in rotation as cutting some hedgerow species every year prevents the plants from producing large amounts of berries.

Many bird species will benefit from this, including residents like bullfinches and song thrushes and winter migrants such as redwings and fieldfares.

SAFE, SIMPLE AND EASY

**Public & Trade welcome** Easy & free parking outside

3 Margate Road, Ramsgate CT11 7SP (near the traffic lights & train station)

Tel: 07817 927607

#### Our beaches are up to Euro standards

THE isle's beaches have all achieved a 'good' rating, or higher, for water quality.

They have met the European standard for 2009, according to tests carried out between May and September.

The Environment Agency sampled the beaches weekly and says the results are down to Southern Water's long-term investment in environmental improvements. This includes the £80 million wastewater treatment scheme serving Margate and Broadstairs.

John Spence, Southern Water's head of wastewater and environmental strategy, said: "Southern Water's ongoing improvement programme has brought about a tremendous improvement in the quality of water around our coastline.'

In 1988, only 41 per cent of beaches in the Southern Water region passed.

#### Police release name of man found dead

A MAN found dead in Margate has been named as Nikita Panarins, aged 24.

He was found dead on Thursday,

November 12, by police who were called to a flat in Hawley Square.

Officers cordoned off the area while forensic examinations were made and a post-mortem examination took place to establish the cause of death.

Details have not yet been released. Renes Kutkevics, 25, of Hawley Square, has been charged with murder and remanded in custody.

He is due to appear at Maidstone Crown Court on Monday, November 30.

**VIEW THIS CLIP ON** 

yourkenttv.co.uk

Hour LOCAL TY ONLINE

An inquest is due to be opened on Monday, November 23.

## New church is delighted to receive official recognition

WORSHIPPERS who make up the Harvest New Anglican Church on the isle have seen their network officially recognised as a new form of church.

The church is formed by separate groups who meet on Sundays in Broadstairs to worship and now it has received only the second-ever Bishop's Mission Order to be issued in the country.

The Bishop of Dover, Dr Stephen Venner, and the Minister-in-Charge of Harvest New Anglican Church, the Rev Canon Kerry Thorpe, signed the order in front of 200 members of Canterbury Diocese's synod on Saturday, November 14.

A Bishop's Mission Order recognises a 'fresh

expression' or new form of church.

Mission orders were only approved by the Church of England General Synod last year and each one is made different, written according to the particular requirements and

BY TOM BETTS

goals of the fresh expression of church. After the presentation, Bishop Stephen said: "Bishop's Mission Orders enable new church congregations to take their place alongside more traditional parishes.

"They are very new and so it has taken much time and detailed work to reach the point where we can celebrate our first BMO in the diocese.

#### Leadership

"Harvest New Anglican, under the leadership of Kerry Thorpe, is a thriving Christian com-

"It is a real joy to welcome them into this new relationship with the Diocese of Canterbury and to pray that God will continue to bless them and enable them to be a rich blessing to others.

Harvest New Anglican Church was founded in 1998 as a network of cell groups meeting across the isle.

Initially they met in schools but now get together at the Christ Church University Campus in Broadstairs.

With no building of its own, and no geographical parish, Harvest New Anglican Church describes itself as a "relational church" which focuses on developing and growing friendships with "people at all levels of a

spiritual journey".

The Priest at Harvest New Anglican Church, the Rev Canon Kerry Thorpe, said: "We are absolutely delighted to be one of the earliest recipients of a Bishop's Mission Order which recognises Harvest New Anglican Church as a place where mission is at the heart of all we do.

"Harvest is a church for people who are not sure whether they want to go or not but where we are just as keen to stimulate questions as we are in trying to provide answers

Anyone interested in finding out more about Harvest New Anglican Church can visit www.harvestnac.co.uk

• Email yourthanet@kosmedia.co.uk



## **HAPPY BEAR** WHO LOVES

Pudsey Bear held a Children In Need charity tuckshop at Birchington Primary School on Friday.

The cuddly visitor was a big hit with pupils and staff as he helped serve fruit, ice-cream and cakes during morning break, all to raise money for the annual BBC appeal to help needy

He posed for pictures and then took a tour of the school to meet four-, five- and six-year-olds

Head-teacher Kath Barham said: "We were really lucky that Pudsey took time out of a really hectic schedule to pay our children a visit." The tuck-shop collection raised more than

£80 for the Children In Need appeal.

charity at Asda in Broadstairs to make his visit





For information and advice on travelling in Kent and for all our traffic regulation orders, please see the Kent on Saturday or the Kent on Sunday or visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/highways

#### **The Denture** Shop

- New Dentures & Denture Repairs
- Free Consultation
- Prompt & Reliable Service

We make the new flexible & unbreakable **VALPLAST** dentures



"So natural that nobody would guess"

35 King Street • Margate • Kent • CT9 1DD 01843 571117

## **Entrepreneur's** smooth way of doing business

BY TOM BETTS

THE virtues of healthy eating and education are proving a perfect blend in Ramsgate.

New business Move 'n' Smooth is making inroads into the ethical business sector with its unique idea to highlight the benefits of thinking about what you eat as well as how you get there.

Harvey Smith, a children's play areaowner from Broadstairs, came up with the idea to attach smoothie-blending machines to the workings of bikes last year and it has

proved to be a winner.

The cycles have effectively been adapted into giant smoothie-making machines, operating on pedal-power alone.

Tired of the nine-to-five rat-run to London each day on the train, Harvey, 43, opted out from that lifestyle and set up his PlayBay venture on Ramsgate's seafront four years ago.

#### Calibre

It proved to be successful and after taking a bold step to not sell junk food on the premises he decided to take the idea even further and launched Move 'n' Smooth.

He said: "I just thought it was a good cause to draw attention to, because eating healthily and getting some exercise is such an important thing, especially for youngsters.

"The environmental aspect is important to us, too, as this obviously uses no electricity and encourages people to get in the saddle.'

The judges at the KOS Media £1 million Business Challenge certainly thought so and Move 'n' Smooth won in the New Business Or Product category at last month's ceremony in Maidstone.

Harvey scooped £150,000 of free advertising and marketing and will be looking to put it into action soon, saying he hopes it will take the business to the "next stage" and would like to find a sponsor to endorse it.

He does admit to being surprised at the win, though.

"The calibre of the competition was great, so I was quite shocked when we won, but it is very encouraging for us," he said.



**RIDE ON:** Harvey lets schoolchildren mix up a smoothie

It could be the start of something big, although the business itself sprang from small beginnings

Harvey said: "I enlisted the help of a local character called Derby Dave to adapt the bikes. I gave him the design for a prototype and a few weeks later he had one finished.

"He has done a great job and continues to make them. We now have several sizes and models, with more on the way as we expand."

The next part of the project could be to adapt a rowing-machine to blend fruit like the bikes, while a recipe-book to document the best smoothie concoctions could also be on the cards.

The project has been taken into schools and hospitals all over Kent, but Harvey hopes to push on and take it even further afield and spread the word.

"I would like to create a much larger schools programme - I see that as the future for us. The Government is trying to get kids to do 60 minutes of exercise a week, so perhaps we could tie in with that in some way.

Summing up on the ethos of Move 'n' Smooth, Harvey said: "If people come along and get some exercise and have some fun, then we are getting somewhere.

"It's what we are aiming to promote, and hope people take notice."

If you would like to book Move 'n' Smooth for your event, phone Harvey Smith on 01843 590591 or 07918 166947.

For further information, visit the website, www.movensmooth.com.

#### **NEWS** IN BRIEF **Secret Garden step closer**

yourthanet

#### VOLUNTEERS from Pfizer have downed

their gardening tools after completing a fourweek project to clear an isle garden.

More than 200 people cut their way through the overgrowth at the Frank Matthews Memorial Garden in Northdown Park, Cliftonville, during phase one of the project to create a play-area for disabled children and their families.

The new park could be opened next year and will be called the Secret Garden.

Kevin Charles, Pfizer's community affairs manager, said: "Our volunteers stepped up to the mark, and fortunately, the weather played its part in allowing us to complete the project on time."

Thanet council's recreation officer, Chris Tull, said: "There's been a great response and we've been delighted to see so many people getting involved in helping to create the new Secret Garden in Northdown Park."

#### Did you see taxi break-in?

POLICE are appealing for help after a taxi was broken into in Ramsgate.

The driver's window of the black Fiat Ulysse was smashed while it was parked in Bellevue Avenue between 5pm on Monday, November 9, and 8.30am the following morning.

Someone called the taxi firm and said they had filmed the incident on their mobile phone.

Officers investigating would like to hear from that person or anyone else who has information. They can phone Margate police station on 01843 231055 or Kent Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

#### **Annual hit pulls into town**

MODEL railway fans will be making tracks to St George's School in Broadstairs at the

The free annual exhibition staged by the North Kent Model Railway Group will be open to the public on both Saturday and Sunday.

The fun begins at 10am and lasts until 5pm on Saturday, while on Sunday it will be open from 10am-4pm.

Large and small working model layouts from clubs and individuals will be on display. Children will have the chance to test their skills on two layouts, while stallholders will be selling models and paraphernalia.

#### **Shop Local First Incentive Card**



Over 100 reasons to shop locally...

...From discounts, free gifts and more.

Have you got yours yet?

#### Pick up your Incentive card from:

- The 100 businesses taking part
- Thanet's Gateway Plus, Margate
- Pierremont Hall, Broadstairs
- **Ramsgate Visitor Information Centre**
- **Margate Visitor Information Centre**
- **Local libraries**

Visit www.thanet.gov.uk/shop local or call 01843 577169 for details.



### Trio pick up taekwondo medals

THREE Ramsgate residents have won medals at a top international taekwondo tournament.

The members of Ramsgate Olympic Taekwondo

Club came out fighting at the tournament in London on Saturday, November 15.
Ethan Stokes (eight), Jakub Grela (12) and Katarzyna Grela (14) all performed to finish in the top three in each of their weight and age categories at the 13th London Open International Taekwondo Championships.

Ethan won bronze in the -31kg category and Jakub, who is the British Olympic taekwondo champion, won silver in the -58kg class. Katarzyna, also a British champion, won gold in the A class -58 kg junior category.

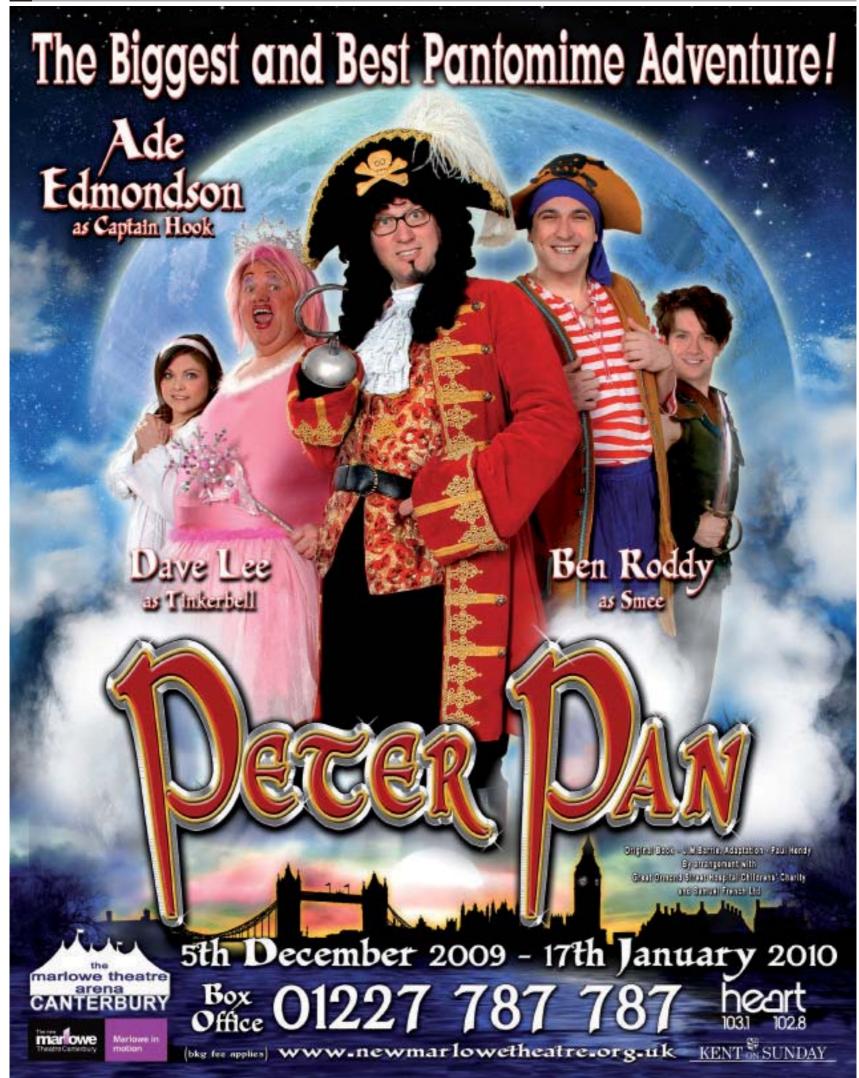
Coach Leszek Grela said: "Once again we have

shown our spirit and are bringing home medals.' If you want learn taekwondo or find out more,

phone Leszek Grela on 07778 567355 or visit http://tkdthanet.tk for more information.



WINNING WAYS: The three medallists



## Huge rise in our dole queues

#### BY STEVE KNIGHT

A STAGGERING 75 per cent increase in Kent's jobless figures means there are now almost 50,000 people claiming benefits in the county.

Kent is reeling under the latest unemployment rise with most areas showing job losses higher than the national average. The statistics mean 20,580 more people were out of work at the end of October compared with a year ago, reflecting the devastating effect of the

In Dartford and Sevenoaks the number of people out of work has doubled, although towns such as Folkestone and Thanet, where unemployment is traditionally higher, there were less dramatic rises

And of all of Kent's 23 Parliamentary constituencies covered by the figures - released by the Office for National Statistics – just four have recorded increases lower than the UK average of 63 per cent. The biggest rise of 110 per cent was in Dartford, which has suffered with the closure of several major employers in the last 12 months.

Last year, the town had 1,065 registered job seekers, compared with 2,233 today.

Parliamentary candidate Conservative

#### **INCREASE IN KENT'S UNEMPLOYED YEAR ON YEAR**

CONSTITUENCY	OCT 08	OCT 09	RISE
Dartford	1,065	2,233	110%
Sevenoaks	527	1,102	109%
Maidstone	814	1,644	102%
Tonbridge/Malling	617	1,244	102%
Ashford	988	1,977	100%
Faversham	809	1,565	93%
Tunbridge Wells	624	1,168	87%
Chatham/Aylesford	1,424	2,650	86%
Bromley/Chislehurst	1,039	1,921	85%
Old Bexley/Sidcup	846	1,542	82%
Gravesham	1,498	2,587	79%

Gillingham	1,396	2,495	79%
Bexleyheath/Crayford	1,030	1,828	77%
Sittingbourne/Sheppey	1,464	2,564	75%
Orpington	1,128	1,966	74%
Medway	1,611	2,691	67%
Canterbury	991	1,648	66%
Beckenham	1,381	2,274	65%
South Thanet	1,259	2,060	64%
Dover	1,310	2,076	58%
North Thanet	1,838	2,885	57%
Erith/Thamesmead	2,343	3,638	55%
Folkestone/Hythe	1,615	2,439	51%

Gareth Johnson said: "These are deeply concern-

ing figures and seem to show a worrying trend in Dartford compared with surrounding areas.
"We knew that with the closure of GlaxoSmithKline, Arjowiggins and MFI that the recession had hit Dartford hard, but these figures confirm there are now in excess of 1,000 more people claiming unemployment benefit than this time last year.

"These figures are the consequence of the Government's mishandling of the economy. We are now the only major economy still in recession and this is due to Prime Minister Gordon

Brown's high levels of borrowing during the good times that have left this country with one of the biggest budget deficits in the world."

Despite being considered two of the wealthiest constituencies in Kent, both Sevenoaks and Tonbridge & Malling are in the top five in the county for its percentage increases.

The number of people claiming jobseeker benefits in Sevenoaks shot up by 109 per cent from 527 to 1,102, while Tonbridge & Malling rose 102 per cent from 617 to 1,244.

While the figures are still considerably lower than those in areas where unemployment is usually high – such as Medway and Thanet – Tonbridge and Malling MP Sir John Stanley was still concerned. He said: "These figures confirm what I and countless others have been saying, which is clearly the UK is in the lowest and deepest recession we have had since World War Two, and a far deeper recession than in comparable countries.

"The first action I am going to take is to write to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions to get the fullest possible details on unemployment in Tonbridge & Malling.

"I want to know whether it is an increase in young people or those working in the financial sector being badly affected.

"I also want to find out whether these figures reflect an impact on women rather than men.'

Kent County Council's cabinet member for regeneration, Cllr Kevin Lynes, said County Hall was doing all it could to ensure council taxpayers' money was channelled into Kent businesses to help lift the county out of recession.

He added that KCC was lobbying the Government for a change or relaxation of legislation which means contracts for services worth more than £140,000 have to go out to a full European procurement.
Cllr Lynes said: "We want to relax some of

these legislations at times of recession so we are able to stream as much of Kent taxpayers' pounds as possible into Kent or at least South East businesses, which is the best way to lift the area out of recession."

# SAMSUNG

## Generosity to kick-start football talent in Tanzania

POVERTY-stricken Tanzania could be where the next African football star is discovered, thanks to the generosity of clubs in Kent.

From the professionals at Gillingham FC down to the grass-roots level of Sunday league, teams from across the county donated boots, kit and equipment to help youngsters playing thousands of miles away.

The charity drive was organised by the Kent County FA's chief executive Keith Masters, who is also the European president of the Tanzanian Youth Sports Charity Organisation (Tysco).

Mr Masters said he hoped such generosity would one day help Tanzania emerge as one of Africa's leading football nations and produce players of the calibre of Ivory Coast and Chelsea striker Didier Drogba.

He said: "You'd be amazed at the skill  $\textbf{ICON:} \ \textbf{Striker Didier Drogba} \quad \text{that some of these players can produce}$  without boots and on some of the worst pitches you've ever seen in your life. It's just a bit of sand with homemade goalposts but they're happy and content.

"The Premier League is massive out there and almost every kid you speak to supports one of the big clubs.

They're so enthusiastic for the sport and extremely grateful for everything you give them, so it's a joy to be able to help them in this way.

You've only got to look at countries that have received monetary help in the past, like Ghana, to see that there are some hugely talented players out there."

#### Rankings

Mr Masters was invited to join Tysco back in 2007 at a time when Tanzania was ranked 157th in the FIFA rankings.

Despite never having qualified for the World Cup finals, the national team now appear to be on the up and are placed just outside the top 100. As further proof, they have also beaten World Cup-

qualifiers New Zealand 2-1 in a friendly. Mr Masters said: "There must be

Wayne Rooneys and Theo Walcotts somewhere in Tanzania - all we have to do is find them. To do that we need to develop and hopefully raise the profile of the game there.

"They didn't want money from us, just boots and equipment, so I asked clubs in Kent to help out and they were tremendous. We had enough to fill three con-

As part of his role with the charity, Mr Masters is also calling on people to donate unwanted textbooks so they can be reused in Tanzania's schools.

He said: "I just want to do what I can to assist these people because they have absolutely nothing. They're so grateful for everything you give them and it's great to see their eyes light up just for handing over three footballs.

To donate football or school equipment, contact Mr Masters through the KCFA on 01622 791850.



**GAME ON:** Keith Masters with players in Tanzania

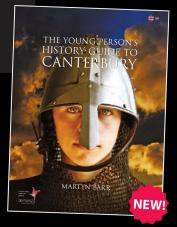






Written especially for young people, this richly illustrated 40-page softback guide charts Canterbury's fascinating history over the past 2,000 years.

Available from Canterbury bookshops, museums and visitor attractions priced £5.99, or buy online at www.OOTBShop.co.uk.



## yourlocalinterview

#### **QUESTION** & ANSWER



#### What's your favourite thing about being a head-teacher?

The students - their energy, liveliness, humour and positivity are infectious.

#### How long have you been at Hartsdown and where else have you taught?

I've been at Hartsdown for almost three years and time has flown by. It is always busy, there's always something going on, and there's always something to be proud of.

Before coming to Hartsdown, I taught in London. My last school was in Tottenham, which was lucky for me as I am a Tottenham supporter. Schools are tougher in London, but the work was still very rewarding.

#### Do you think education in this country is changing for the better or worse?

I know the quality of teaching and learning is improving at my school. Our results speak for themselves and I know this is also true for the other schools in Thanet.

I think parents in this area are lucky to have so many good schools to choose from. I have a lot of faith in the teaching profession and think schools are improving, despite the huge number of new initiatives and pressures.

#### Who is your hero?

Jimmy Greaves, the classy Tottenham goalmachine. He made scoring look so easy.

#### What do want to achieve this month, this year and before you retire?

This month – I have a leading role in the college's Building Schools For The Future initiative. We are at the planning stage which takes us closer to our superb new complex.

This year - overseeing the continuing progress across the board at Hartsdown, which is a very satisfying job.

Before I retire - I expect to be the very proud principal of a new and well-resourced state-ofthe-art complex at the cutting edge of education in Thanet that also serves the wider community.

#### What is your most treasured possession?

I am lucky to have a small holiday apartment in Italy where I enjoy many happy family holidays, either skiing or walking in the Alps. It is brilliant relaxation.

#### () What do you like about Thanet?

I still consider myself a bit of a newcomer A to the area, so I can appreciate what Thanet has to offer, especially compared with London.

Clean air, fabulous beaches and the sea, some lovely countryside across Kent, friendly people, the quietness and traffic that moves.

I drive to work every day with a big smile on my face.

#### Mhat do you dislike about Thanet?

The people who knock it all the time - and some of the worst culprits are those who live here.

Thanet is a great place and I think it is going to improve still further with the Turner Contemporary flagship arts centre for Kent, the fast rail link and the China Gateway development.

#### What is your best experience in teaching?

Exam results days in the summer are A always exciting.

These are emotional days for all the right reasons and it is great to see our students excited and celebrating their success.

#### Why did you want to become a teacher?

It runs in the family - my father was a teacher.

I believe that raising aspirations of students and encouraging their skills development to their potential is one surefire way of getting families out of the poverty trap.

#### What are your hobbies and interests?

Sailing, gardening, skiing, walking and

(Bikes over £200.00)

with free delivery & storage **Deposit Required** 

The principal of Hartsdown Technology College, Margate, talks to **Tom Betts** about the challenges of his job, the exciting plans for the future of the school and what he enjoys about living and working in Thanet

#### **Worry-free means** everything is included Use your mobility allowance Servicing and maintenance Breakdown cover Replacement tyres and windscreen Road tax 60,000 mileage allowance Specialist advice Insurance

#### Motability www.motability.co.uk

are if you qualify for a Metability car? Call 6866 953 4002

#### **NIL ADVANCE RENTAL** Focus 1.6



Zetec • Quickclear Screen

- Air Conditioning
  - Alloy Wheels
  - CD Stereo

#### **HOME VISITS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST**



Tel: 0844 8564130 Orbital Park, Ashford TN24 0HT Tel: 0844 8564127

Tel:0844 8564133



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK MON-FRI 8.30am-7.00pm SAT 8.30am-5.30pm SUN 10.00am-4.00p

The official fuel consumption figures in mpg (l/100km) for the Ford Range are: urban 31.7-34.4(8.2-8.9); extra urban 51.4-60.1(4.7-5.5); and combined 42.2-47.1(6.0-6.7). The official CO2 emission figures range from 139-159g/km. Offer valid on cars from Invictor Motors.

#### (at **The Bike Shop, St Peters**) Cycle Sales · Service & Repairs · Cycle Sales · Service & Repairs 98-100 Albion Rd, St Peters, **Broadstairs 01843 865769** Probably the Largest Selection of Bikes in East Kent Christmas Club and All Year Round Savings Club 'FREE' Collection & Delivery For All Servicing & Repairs Road Bikes, Mountain Bikes, BMX, & Commuter Bikes Christmas Club When you join our Christmas Club

Now open until 4pm Sundays

98-100 Albion Rd, St Peters, Broadstairs

S GIANT.

67a King Street, Ramsgate

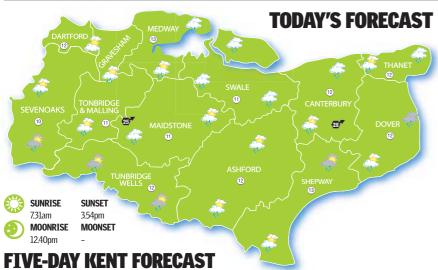
01843 865769

01843 852800

PHOTOGRAPHY by Mike AVERY

## ATES 24 HOURS A DAY @ www.kentnews.co.uk





	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Ashford	14°C	13°C	11°C	10°C	11°C	Gravesend	15°C	13°C	12°C	11°C	10°C
Canterbury	14°C	13°C	11°C	10°C	10°C	Maidstone	15°C	13°C	11°C	10°C	10°C
Chatham	15°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C	Ramsgate	14°C	13°C	11°C	10°C	10°C
Dartford	15°C	13°C	12°C	11°C	10°C	Rochester	15°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C
Dover	13°C	12°C	10°C	10°C	9°C	Sevenoaks	13°C	11°C	9°C	9°C	9°C
Faversham	15°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C	Sittingbourn	<b>e</b> 15°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C
Folkestone	13°C	12°C	10°C	10°C	9°C	Tonbridge	14°C	11°C	10°C	10°C	10°C
Gillingham	15°C	14°C	11°C	10°C	11°C	<b>Tun Wells</b>	14°C	11°C	10°C	10°C	10°C
				,						'	'

#### WEEKEND **HIGH TIDES**

	Chatham	Saturday	8:48am	5.0m
		Sunday	9:49am	5.3m
	Dover	Saturday	7:24am	5.6m
		Sunday	8:12am	5.9m
	Dungeness	Saturday	7:30am	6.4m
		Sunday	8:23am	6.7m
	Ramsgate	Saturday	7:54am	4.3m
		Sunday	8:42am	4.5m
	Sheerness	Saturday	8:36am	4.8m
		Sunday	9:37am	5.1m
	Whitstable	Saturday	8:39am	4.6m
		Sunday	9:34am	4.8m



#### **AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY**

Amsterdam	12°C	Madrid	14°C
Athens	16°C	New York	12°C
Barcelona	18°C	Paris	13°C
Beijing	5°C	Rome	16°C
Bombay	32°C	Sydney	19°C
Cape Town	30°C	Tenerife	23°C
Cardiff	12°C	Tokyo	14°C
Gibraltar	18°C	Vancouver	6°C
Hong Kong	20°C	Warsaw	9°C
Las Palmas	23°C	Wellington	15°C

#### A taste of Victorian Britain at Quex Queen's Banquet

A SPECTACULAR six-course meal is being cooked up by one of the isle's best chefs at Quex Park, Birchington, this month.

The meal forms the centrepiece of an evening of Victorian entertainment with a Christmas feel on Saturday, November 28.

Dev Biswal, the head chef of Margate's Indian Princess, will be flexing his culinary muscles to dish up treats such as compote of woodpigeon with nutmeg, and pepper and apple snowballs with cinnamon ice-cream.

The meal is being called the Queen's Banquet and costs £32 per person.

Dev said: "The thought of Victorian life brings

up a variety of images. An age of innocence and simplicity, the age of great inventions, fond images of a warm home-life, grace and grandeur and yet child labour and poverty. The Victorian age was all this and more.'

#### Pheasant

The meal will also include a draught of Kentish cider served with royal mince pies, broiled pheasant with a piquant sauce and onion salad and more.

There will also be a performance of Charles Dickens's A Christmas Carol from the Broadstairs Victorians.

In the Quex Garden Restaurant, inside the Powell-Cotton Museum, there will be two servings for the banquet, one at 5pm and one at 8.45pm. Organisers promise the event will not disappoint and guests can experience how Queen Victoria and Prince Albert entertained.

A Quex spokesman said: "The Queen's Banquet promises to be something people have never experienced in Thanet.

"Guests are welcome to dress up and become

a part of the evening. As the banquet commences, your taste buds will step back in time!"

Tickets for the evening of Victorian entertainment are available by phoning 01843

e A Image

Full Time Professional

Modern Shop & Studio

**Fantastic Christmas Present Ideas** 

Gift vouchers available

Tel: 01843 851144 www.eye4image.co.uk

11 High Street, St Lawrence Ramsgate





## www.snh.co.uk

Firefox 5 **Multi-Fuel Stove** 



£457.99 £319.99

**Tiger Plus Stove** Multi-Fuel



£618.99

£433.99

"Prince" Complete Suite



**Kendal suite** 48 inch



**Cranbourne suite** 44 inch



"Oxford" Limesone Complete Suite



**Dimplex Brayford Stove** 



£129.99 £86.99

Dimplex electric fire Cheriton



£156.99 £109.99

**Dimplex Horton** Chrome



£312.99 £214.99

Flavel Marino **Panoramic** 



£579.48 £433.16

**Sherbourne** Hod 17"



Coal **Bucket** 

£33.99

£25.49

Squares 3 fold 31 inch fire screen



£80.99 £60.74

Loop Black 25" **Campanion Set** 





Loop Chrome 25" Campanion Set



Log Basket 46cm High



**Tanner Log Basket** 



**Smeg Retro Fluless Gas Fire** 



**Flavel Windsor Contemporary** 



£236.99 £189.99





**SNH Trade Centre** www.snh.co.uk Tel: 01843 842727 The Store, Albion Road, Birchington CT7 9DN

**OPENING TIMES: Monday to Friday** 8am to 5pm Saturday 9am to 12pm



WHEN a schoolgirl found herself BY MARIJKE COX contemplating suicide after yet another abusive message from bullies she knew she had to tell

The 13-year-old, who had recently moved to the area with her family, had been the target of a gang of girls who repeatedly subjected her to cruel taunts while at school.

But when she started to receive abusive

emails and texts from the bullies at home she turned to her parents for help.
"I never felt safe," she said.

"Even when I was at home they would put messages on my Bebo page or text me horri-

"It got to the point that when I went to sleep at night I hoped I would never wake up. This was when I spoke to my parents and they helped sort it out.

#### Campaign

For many her story may be familiar as national figures released this week show 61 per cent of 11-18-year-olds have witnessed some form of cyber-bullying.

And research by the Department for Children, Schools and Families found that

more than a third of 12 to 15-year-olds have faced cyber-bullying.

Social networking sites, such as Bebo and

Facebook, and computer messaging are a part of everyday life.

Last week was Anti-Bullying Week and the Government ran a campaign alongside called Stay Safe in Cyberspace.

One of the highest profile deaths this year was 13-year-old Sam Leeson, from

Gloucestershire, who was found hanging in his bedroom by his mother and sister.

His Bebo page showed the extensive bullying he had been subjected to and even after his death shocking videos mocking his death

were posted on Youtube. Emma-Jane Cross, chief executive of

national charity Beatbullying, said: "We know the consequences of cyber-bullying are just as traumatic as face-to-face bullying.

"In the past year alone we've witnessed tragic suicides resulting from relentless online hate campaigns.

"Suicide is an extreme manifestation, but research already underway shows us that increased isolation, poor educational attainment and self-destructive behaviour all readily follow cyber-bullying.

"We must all act together and fast."

Kent County Council's online Safe at School survey aims to find out about children's expe-

riences and perceptions of bullying.

Leyland Ridings, KCC deputy cabinet member for children, families and education, said anyone who is being bullied should tell

"If you go back years bullying was somewhat of a taboo subject," he said.

"Yes it went on, but it wasn't the done thing to talk about it.

"It's quite the opposite now. Anti-bullying is a priority for all of us.

This survey is one way we can get a better understanding of the perceptions and experiences of bullying.

"It is anonymous and that will help those that are afraid to speak out.

Last week KCC's e-safety officer Rebecca Avery visited schools across Kent to make children and parents aware of the harmful effects of bullying over the internet.

She said: "Online bullying can be very traumatising for children. It's just as harmful as bullying in person.

"Parents may not even be aware that their child is a cyber-bully or is being bullied."

Visit www.kenttrustweb.org.uk to fill in the Safe at School survey.

If you are a victim of bullying, for more advice you can visit www.bullying.co.uk, www.beatbullying.org.

#### Charity calendar has comedy at its heart

THE deaths of her mother, grandmother and father-in-law all caused by heart conditions helped convince one Kent office worker she needed to do something to help others.

And she came up with a charity calendar with a difference – all scenes from famous British sit-coms.

Carolyn Trice works for DIY giant Homebase in their offices in Maidstone.

The personnel administrator said: "I wanted to do something for the British Heart Foundation because of the amazing work it does. And at this time of year, people are thinking about getting a calendar, so why not produce one.

But this is a little more modest than the many subtle naked ones on the market these days. Carolyn said: "I didn't want to do that as we are all too modest and shy anyway, and it has been done lots of times.

"That's why I suggested we do scenes from

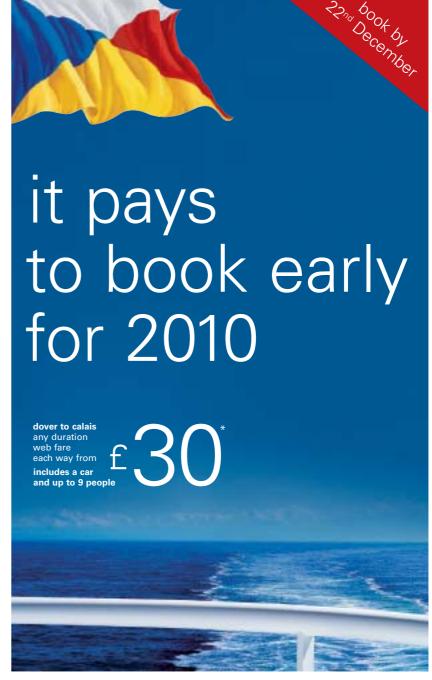
traditional British comedies and everyone was delighted to join in.'

The Homebase staff got together six weeks ago and produced 12 classic shots from shows

like Steptoe and Son, and the Royle Family.
Steve Lidstone, the company's operations team leader at the Aylesford base, said: "The company agreed to print these for free for us, so every single penny we make from the sale will be going to the charity. We are asking for a minimum donation of £5 per calendar."

Carolyn added: "This is a project that is close to my heart, if you excuse the pun, because of what happened to my family. I lost my mother Joan King a few years ago, and my dad Alan has just had a quad heart by-pass.

"I am keen for the money we raise to be spent on defibrillators which can help lives. If someone has a heart attack, using one of these will give them a 40 per cent better chance of



#### POferries.com/your 08712 22 27 70



Calls are charged at 10p per min from a BT landline. Other networks and mobile charges may vary. \*Including all taxes and surcharges. Fare shown is for travel in 2010 and includes a £2.50 web discount Supplements apply for travel in July, August and other peak dates. Full terms and conditions apply.

> dover calais • hull zeebrugge / rotterdam • portsmouth bilbao cairnryan / troon larne • liverpool dublin

## yourthanetschools



#### **BREAK TIME**

## WWI project sees both sides to win

GEORGIA Cooper has her German and English grandparents to thank for invaluable background information and first-hand accounts of life in two countries at war with each other.

The 14-year-old Clarendon House Grammar student gave a view from both sides during the dark days from 1939-1945 in a Second World War project.

Her interesting and detailed account was entered in the nationwide Young History Project and she is the joint winner of the Spirit of Normandy Trust local history award, with a student from Surrey.

Georgia, from Margate, won £50 for her efforts.

## Skatepark causes schools revolution

REVOLUTION skatepark and climbing centre is offering every school pupil on the isle the opportunity to have a free skateboard or climbing lesson.

St Mildred's School in Broadstairs has already taken up the offer and as a direct result of its success more schools will be added over the coming months

All lessons have to be pre-booked in advance and a parental consent form filled out on arrival. The lesson also includes any equipment you may need.

A Revolution spokesman said: "This is the perfect introduction to two of the fastest up-and-coming sports around."

If you would like your school to be included, phone 01843 866707/866706 or email info@revolutionskatepark.co.uk.



RECOGNITION: Teacher Michele Semlyen (right) collects the Investors in Careers Award on behalf of King Ethelbert School for its specialist Path To Your Future programme

## Prestigious career award is a job well done by teacher

KING Ethelbert School has become the first school in east Kent to gain a prestigious Investors in Careers Award.

The Path To Your Future programme will mean children from years seven to 11 will receive information, advice and guidance on what they want to do for a career.

There are two specialist programmes in year nine and year 11 which deal with the choices and progression.

The school has a rigorous set of criteria to meet to achieve the status which included satisfying advisers and examiners who toured BY TOM BETTS

the school. They met staff and students, watching presentations from the pupils which focused on their careers education and interviewed the school's careers teacher, Michele Semlyen.

A school spokesman said: "The Investors in Careers assessor was absolutely delighted with the strength of the provision at KES.

"The high profile that careers has within the school, the well-documented programmes and the whole school approach to careers was particularly commented upon.

"It was seen clearly how students had a real

understanding of the relevance of learning within school to their future working lives and how important the students viewed employability and transferable skills."

Mrs Semlyen has created the programme at the Birchington school which will help students to find the right progression route to work, with the goal of raising the students' aspirations in all year groups, and at all levels.

Kate Greig, head of school, said: "I am delighted for the students, for the school and for Mrs Semlyen, who works incredibly hard and deserves to have her success recognised.

"It is a huge honour for the school to receive this award."

SEND your schools news and pictures to yourthanet@kosmedia.co.uk. You can also upload your video clips of schools events on to www.yourkenttv.co.uk

## SAVE SAVE SAVE

visit **www.vouchersforkent.co.uk** and download great money saving offers

SAVINGS VOUCHER BOOK
MOTORS & SERVICING

SAVINGS VOUCHER BOOK
RETAIL, TRADE & SERVICES

SAVINGS VOUCHER BOOK
LEISURE, FOOD & DRINK
VUUCHERSTORKENT.CO.UK

Award Winning Company

If you would like details on how you can include your business on **vouchersforkent**, phone today on **01303 817150**.

## Choking. Chest pain. Blacking out. Blood loss.

For symptoms of serious illnesses, and major accidents, choose A&E or 999.

A&E and 999 are emergency services that should only be used when people are badly injured or show the symptoms of critical illness. Choosing well ensures that essential treatment is given, in the shortest possible time.



Eastern and Coastal Kent



**CUTTING THE COST OF CAR CARE** FOR ALL MAKES & ALL MODELS

- **FREE HEALTH** CHECK
- MOT's £29.95
- **Service & MOT £95** on all cars up to 2000cc

**OFFER ENDS** 30<sup>™</sup> DECEMBER 2009

**CALL US ON 01227 766777** 

**QUOTING THIS ADVERTISEMENT TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT** 

**Baileys Nissan, Westminster Road,** Vauxhall Industrial Estate, Canterbury CT1 1YY

Independence is yours at the touch of a button



Our clients wear a personal pendant that works in the home or garden and at the press of a button can call for help or assistance 24 hours a day. Our professional and compassionate operators will ensure any help needed is speedily dispatched

Charges remain amongst the lowest in Kent at £2.49 per week

(plus VAT if applicable) and this includes all maintenance costs

Take advantage of LIFELINE ASSIST our 24hr responder service

**Shepway Lifeline** 

Call now for a FREE no obligation demonstration in your home 01303 242615 or 01303 242 971

Shepway Lifeline is part of Shepway District Council







## Vomiting. Ear pain. Stomach ache. Back ache.

For ear infections, a persistent cough, and everything between, choose a GP.

Make an appointment with your GP for



Fastern and Coastal Kent

## yourthanetblogger

1

Government plans to create more banks would just increase our monetary worries

## Back in the old days we could bank on a face-to-face service

THE Government recently announced it was going to create more banks from the assets of the frail, wounded ones we own at the moment.

Quite frankly, I wonder why they want to create more organisations that provide such poor service to their customers.

Forget those smiling faces in TV adverts travelling around the Outer Hebrides in cash ice cream vans, helping wizened old islanders pay-in their pension. It would be nice if they offered that level of service in the high street.

For example, helping families deal with elderly relatives' financial affairs. From my own experience this leaves a lot to be desired. In one case the bank immediately dispatched letters fining my dad for transactions while he was in hospital.

It didn't seem to matter how many times we told the bank he was ill and we had to look after his affairs, it just fell on deaf ears and the computer-composed letters kept coming and the fines kept increasing.

Then my partner's recently bereaved father had to deal with an outstanding credit card balance. He is partially sighted and slightly deaf and yet they insisted the only way he could deal with the account was by talking to some distant call centre whose operators understandably could have no idea of the circumstances he was in.

They couldn't understand his Welsh accent and he couldn't make out their Indian one. (Strange really as they often sound quite similar).

These sorts of cases must be happening everyday and yet the banks make no allowance for the sort of people they are dealing with: people who are not born in the internet age, people whose only use for a computer mouse is as a paperweight.

You know, old-fashioned people who used to

You know, old-fashioned people who used to make this country money by making steel and ships, or rebuilding it after the Nazis tried to do their worst with bombs and V2 rockets.

At least they had something to show for

their efforts, rather than the city traders moving money around that isn't actually there.

The banks have our money which they use to create their profits. Most of them now have even more of it which we paid to the Government for schools and hospitals, thanks to their dodgy lending practices.

Yet they can't even stretch to having a member of staff people can meet in a branch and talk to about everyday problems that make banking difficult. And don't be fooled by their 'convenient' internet banking. It means they pay less staff in fewer branches and maximise their profits. It just makes us all more vulnerable to some computer fraudster tricking us out of our money.

Government should legislate that every branch must have at least one dedicated member of staff trained to deal with these sort of situations, someone like a manager, or is that just too old-fashioned?

EDITOR'S NOTE: All blogs are supplied with full name and address of the authors. They do not reflect the view of the newspaper but are designed to give our readers the chance to air their views.

#### **GET IN TOUCH...**

We want to hear your views



EMAIL: Letters, comments, views (along with your name) to: yourthanet(@kosmedia.co.uk



**TEXT: THAN** then your message to: 81800 (please remember to include your name)

#### **LET US KNOW...**

If there is a story in your area you think we should be covering, contact the editor, Dave Mairs, on 01303 817022, or email him on the details above. If you want to be the next Thanet blogger, then all you have to do is submit an article to us (of about 550 words) and email it to the editor. And don't forget, for all the latest news and video from your town, log on to www.yourthanet.co.uk.

Write to The Editor, Yourthanet, KoS Media, Apple Barn,
Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR.

\* We cannot report the all articles will be published and all are at the editor's discretion.



## COSMO CHINESE BUFFET RESTAURANT



#### Under new management

Eat as much as you like from a selection of 30 dishes for lunch and 60 for dinner Seats up to 180

Monday to Thursday Lunch: 12noon - 3pm Dinner: 6pm - 10pm Friday & Saturday Lunch: 12noon - 3pm Dinner: 6pm - 10.30pm Sunday 12noon - 9.30pm

Lunch from £5.99 Dinner from £10.99

## BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR PARTY NOW

Amazing sea views while you eat



### COSMO CHINESE BUFFET RESTAURANT

Reservation Tel: 01843 296668 1/F., Dreamland, Marine Terrace, Margate CT9 1XJ

#### SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFER

15% OFF your bill when you present this coupon at the till. All day buffet with over 60 dishes to choose from plus fruit & dessert. Valid until 27th December 2009

### Cuts. Strains. Itches. Sprains.

For icy slips, skin complaints, and everything between, choose an NHS minor injuries unit.

Use an NHS minor injuries unit to treat minor illnesses and injuries that do not need a visit to A&E or a medical appointment. Choosing well ensures you receive the best possible treatment, leaving emergency services to those who need them most.



vww.nhsdirect.nhs.uk

NHS
Eastern and Coastal Kent





For actions on priorities where you live visit: **www.kent.police.uk/yousaidwedid**To report non-urgent crime and anti-social behaviour, call **01622 690690**In an emergency, dial **999**. For the deaf and speech impaired, text 'Police' to **60066** 



## ourcompetition

oads of come MAKE your Christmas one of the funniest ever by winning a sack-load of

From stand-up to sporting gaffs, there is something for everyone in this bumper prize filled to the brim with the following new DVD

comedy goodies for the

and book releases:
• Adrian Chiles' 2 Good 2 Bad –
The World Cup. Adrian Chiles presents the funniest moments in World Cup history in a feature length edition of Match of the Day 2's must-see weekly round-up.

• Al Murray – The Pub Landlord's Beautiful British Tour Live at

the O2 DVD.

the O2 DVD.

• Harry Hill's TV Burp Gold 2 DVD. A brand new DVD packed with the most memorable clips, skits and quips from the archives of the four-time BAFTA-winning show.

• Russell Howard Live – Dingledodies.

• Think Yourself British by Al Murray, The Pub Landlord. This autumn help yourself to Britain's best 'help yourself' book as Al Murray The Pub Landlord steps out from behind the taps once again to write (well, dictate, be reasonable) the follow-up to his Richard and Judy Book Club-winning

literary debut – the most successful humour book of 2007/8. AND • Harry Hill's TV Burp Book. The

first ever Harry Hill's TV Burp Book, packed with all-new jokes, puzzles, paro-dies, cartoons and games written exclusively for the book by the four-time BAFTA-

winning comic.

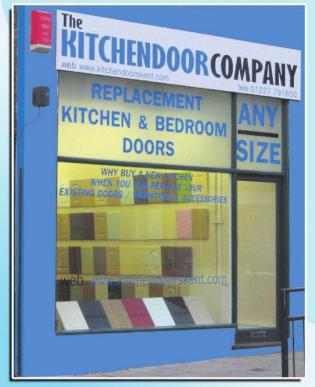
All the titles are out now but here's your chance of winning the whole set because we have THREE to giveaway.

Simply answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your email address (if applicable), name, address, and daytime telephone number to

present?



Showroom now open



#### Why buy a new kitchen when you can change your doors

- Replacement Doors from £24.00
- Work Surfaces
- Handles
- Sinks & Taps
- Over 40 Designs of Doors in 45 **Different Colours**

Alter your existing kitchen for a fraction of the cost of a new kitchen

159 High Street, Herne Bay, Kent CT6 5AQ Telephone: 01227 791850 email: edd.briant@kitchendoorskent.com

## **your letters**



LETTERS: Please send your letters in to us at Yourthanet, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent



**TEXT:** Why not text your view/letter/comment for Yourthanet to 81800 text THAN followed by a space your name and your view/letter/comment Messages cost 25p plus standard network charges. Service provided by g8wave London N7.



**EMAIL:** Email us your letters to us at yourthanet@kosmedia.co.uk

#### **TALK TIME**

#### **JOHN CULLEN**

The independent film-maker talks about needing actors for his new short



What is your new film about?

It is about a rocky relationship between a student and his girlfriend back home.

**How long have you been working on it?** Officially, six months. I hadn't been working on it 100 per cent before that.

#### How did you get into film-making?

It is something I always wanted to do, so I went to university and studied it. This is my first film since university, where we made two or three films every year. I graduated from the University College of the Creative Arts in Farnham.

#### Who are you influenced by?

Everyone, really. There are so many great film-makers out there, it is difficult to pick any one in particular. My favourite films are Rear Window, by Alfred Hitchcock, and Oldboy.

#### What sort of person do you want to

I am looking for a man between 18 and 23 and a woman between 18 and 20. Absolutely anyone can audition, they don't have to professional actors. The film will be 10 minutes long and take about a week to shoot, and I will put it into film festivals. I am shooting in mid-December, so people who want to audition should make sure they are free then. To audition, email me at cullen.casting@gmail.com.

#### **YOUR LETTERS**

#### **Leave Dreamland** and clean up towns

I JUST cannot understand the thinking behind the proposed spending of the enormous sum of £3.7 million on the reawakening of Dreamland.

There are more important things to spend this money on, namely keeping our streets cleaner, particularly in Westgate-on-Sea.

Why can't Thanet council buy a road-cleaning vehicle so that we are not ashamed of the state of our roads?

I have complained many times on this subject. I had a letter from Paul Carter, leader of Kent County Council, informing me our roads are cleaned every six weeks. Can you believe it? This is in our modern times.

The gutters are full of rotting leaves - the drains are choked with them. Surely some of the wrong-doers could be made to do these kind of jobs.

There are many run-down and dilapidated buildings in Margate – they are absolute eyesores. Why can't they be demolished? They give Margate a very bad image and no amount spent on outdated amusements will change this aspect.

To see a few more trees planted would soften this ugly town.

If money is a problem, perhaps the chief executive of Kent County Council wouldn't mind taking a pay cut – I'm sure he could afford it from his £200,000plus salary!

Reg Priggen

• Labour Minister Margaret Hodge's announcement of the £3.7 million of Sea Change money for Dreamland is very welcome.

This is in addition to the £3.7 million allocated in April  $2006 \; {\rm for} \; {\rm a} \; {\rm Stronger} \; {\rm Safer}$ Community in Margate Central and Cliftonville.

New play areas in Dane Valley and Cliftonville and significant safety and return-to-work initiatives show a real commitment to our town.

Although unemployment has dropped from more than 23 per cent in 1995, the fact that it has recently risen to 5.7 per cent shows we cannot be complacent.

The Government's £4.9 million Thanet Works funding, along with other schemes to help people find work and train for employment, must be targeted

appropriately.

It is especially disheartening to hear that the Government now gives Thanet council £65 million just to pay for housing and council tax benefit.

This is £25 million more than 1995, yet we have more people in work whose taxes are supporting an increasingly dependent older population.

Some £1 million has also been spent on upgrading homes through the Margate Renewal fund as well as the Decent Homes Support.

If we combine that with all the money Margate has received either from central government or Europe, it comes to a tidy

As ward councillors we will continue to ensure it is allocated fairly and properly monitored.

Clirs Iris Johnston and John Watkins (Labour) **Margate Central ward** 

#### See film and have say on isle future

I WOULD like to thank again the people who have been packing out the Palace cinema in Broadstairs to watch Thanet On Film and who have contributed so passionately to the discussions that have followed it.

The Palace has decided to put on at least two extra screenings, on Sunday, December 6, and Sunday, December 13. But it's a little cinema, so you're advised to book early.

We want to hear from people who have ideas about how Thanet can preserve its heritage and build a better future.

Christine Tongue, Thanet on Film inmeds@yahoo.co.uk

#### Airport plan that could wet our feet

I WONDER what other readers think of the proposed development of an airport on the Thames estuary as opposed to the expansion just a short distance away of Manston's Kent International Airport.

The house-owners near Manston, having bought their properties knowing an airport was nearby, are naturally concerned about aircraft noise, especially at night.

I sincerely believe human beings can become accustomed to noise, this being achieved at the many airports around the country, especially at Gatwick and Heathrow.

Our senses can accommodate increase in levels. Our sight can now accept one-time unsightly

images, such as TV aerials on roof-tops, ladies wearing blue jeans in public and many, many

Our noses accept, in a short period of time, unpleasant smells. Living on the Kent coast, at first my snout quickly knew about the rich smell of seaweed, but within two to three days or two to three weeks, the smell was no longer noticed.

And so it is with our ears, which come to terms with living by motorways, railway lines, heavy industrial units and so on.

Air travel is a delight for us all, long may it continue.

But we must not just consider what is best locally for aircraft runways, but what is best for the citizens of the Isle of Thanet and Kent.

Manston seems a positive step forward. If the Thames estuary airport does develop, we may get our feet wet.

> Chris Powell Birchington

#### **Quota system for** 747s through night

REGARDING last week's front-page story on the delayed night-flights consultation, it's important to make clear that this is not just an application for an extension to night-flying hours.

They also want to introduce a quota system for flying throughout the night.

This would mean planes as big as 747s overflying Ramsgate at ANY time of the night.

Richard Eastcliff, Ramsgate comment on www.yourthanet.co.uk

• IF you don't want night flights, do what I did and sign the online



For information and advice on travelling in Kent and for all our traffic regulation orders, please see the Kent on Saturday or the Kent on Sunday or visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/ highways



**Professional** bathroom design & installation service or supply only

Visit our large showroom for inspiration! (Free parking)















#### www.completebathroomsltd.com

Unit 61, John Wilson Bus. Pk., Harvey Drive, Chestfield, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3QT

Tel: 01227 282555



**KOS MEDIA READER OFFER** 

#### A must have for every home

#### **Ewbank Evolution II Manual Carpet Sweeper**

Ewbank have been producing non-electric carpet sweepers for over a century and their products are still regarded as the best in the world. This Evolution II manual carpet sweeper is no exception. Just as you would expect, it is lightweight and easy to use. It needs no electricity and is an easy and convenient way to clean your carpets and floors at a moment's notice.



The Evolution II is available in silver for £29.99 and makes a perfect companion for your vacuum cleaner.



Just £29.99

For more information call 0845 165 1004

Quote KOS

To advertise in this section



#### petition at www.nonightflights.tk. Phil Rose, Herne Bay comment on www.yourthanet.co.uk

• GIVE Manston a chance. All this messing about is enough to make them through in the towel.

They have invested a lot of money in the airport and continue to invest. Close this airport and what a mess this town will be in.

#### Vincer, Margate comment on www.yourthanet.co.uk

• THIS airport sucks, unless of course vou are a banana or want fly around in circles.

> Haz, Ramsuate comment on www.yourthanet.co.uk

#### MPs should be taken to Traitors' Gate

I WILL always remember last week as both Labour and Conservatives let the nation down.

Both are traitors on the EU treaty - they both promised the vote but it evaporated.

We in UKIP knew this would happen. We never got an honest answer from David Cameron or William Hague.

Aren't there any honest MPs out there? Aren't there any MPs

wobbling? They have just signed away a thousand years of Great Britain ruling ourselves. Take them to Traitors' Gate. Our great country has been let down.

Why are the people of Great Britain paying £40 million per day if we are hard up? Why can't we suspend these payments until we in the UK get our house in order?

#### **Trevor Shonk** chairman of UKIP Thanet South

• AFTER reading about the result for the so-called President of Europe vote and the farcical way it was reached, it now seems on the cards that we are heading very speedily to a Federal State of Europe.

Don't people realise that it will lead to us forfeiting our national flag and also all the individuality and our cultures that we as Englishmen have built up over thousands of years?

If this is allowed to happen, in time it will be swapped for a dictatorship in the coming decades.

The point of my letter is that neeither Gordon Brown nor David Cameron have had the guts to condemn what in my view is a stab in the back for the English.

The only one I understand who has come out against this regime is Nigel Farage, of UKIP.

You will understand where my

vote will be going in the next general election

PE Graham (an irate OAP)

#### My encounter with a smiling letterbox

IN last week's Yourthanet, I noticed that Alasdair Bruce and his colleagues, with the help of Thanet council planning conservation officer Nick Dermott saved a letterbox of historic value.

I am a member of The Letterbox Society of Great Britain and have a photo of that very letterbox.

A few years ago, I was taking a photo of a letterbox in Birchington when I saw something move. Looking up, an old lady promptly came to attention.

I said: "That's OK my dear, you can pass.

She did and looked back as I levelled my camera at the letterbox, asked it to smile and took my photo.

Why, I ask myself, does this little old lady cross over the road every time she sees me now?

Thanks a million to Cllr Bruce and his band of merry people for saving that letterbox.

Bernard La Roche Birchington





KOS To order call **01303 817073** quoting code **kos** 

Card No: Valid from: 

Expiry Date: 

Issue No: 

I

> Post to: 'Time and Tide Clock' KOS Media, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR

20 yourthanet.co.uk

kentnews.co.uk/mobile
Check out Kent's weather on your mobile.





#### THIS IS FOR YOU IF ARE YOU UNHAPPY WITH THE RETURN ON YOUR SAVINGS & INVESTMENTS RIGHT NOW

Local lady businesswoman with proven track record and 25 years banking experience requires funding for ongoing projects / joint ventures from any person looking to secure a good return.

#### Guaranteed minimum 5 % return on short or long term investments.

No risk, certain returns and all covered in a legal agreement PLUS further security given. £10k minimum entry level.

CAN WE WORK TOGETHER ?
CALL OR TEXT ME NOW ON 07809 736 327



### GREENFIELDS SHOOTING GROUNDS



#### STAG/HEN PARTIES

Save £25.00 per person on normal prices Min 8 persons £40.00 for 25 shots £45.00 for 50 shots.

Min 15 persons £40.00 for 50 shots includes full instructions, use of guns, ammunition and hearing protection

For more information or to book, please call

01227 713 222

HAVE A GO Every Sunday Morning
25 shots with a qualified instructor for only £12.50
Greenfields Shooting Grounds, Sturry Hill,
Sturry Nr Canterbury, Kent CT2 0NG
sales@greenfieldsshooting.co.uk
www.greenfieldsshooting.co.uk

## yourleisure



Telephone advertising: 01303 817110 Email advertising@kosmedia.co.uk

## Panto not just for Young Ones

Perennial punk Ade Edmondson plays villainous Captain Hook in panto Peter Pan at the Marlowe Theatre Arena

#### PETER PAN

Sat, December 5, to Sun, January 17 Marlowe Theatre Arena, Canterbury

THE Marlowe proves that the show always goes on as one of Kent's most popular pantomimes returns.

Despite the Marlowe Theatre being closed for a multi-million-pound redevelopment, the magic never stops and this year's extravaganza, Peter Pan, will be performed in its state-of-the-art theatre tent.

Comedy icon Ade Edmondson and local legend Dave Lee will be leading the cast in what promises to be one of Canterbury's most unforgettable pantomimes.

Produced by the same team who brought last year's Snow White to the Marlowe stage, this is sure to be another fantastic show to entertain all the family.

The 1,250-seater, fully-heated and

equipped theatre arena has all the amenities you would expect to find in a regular theatre, from a refreshments kiosk to ample toilets.

With the latest in theatrical sound and lighting equipment, the standard of performance will be just as high as ever and with such a great cast on board the scene is set for a fantastic festive show.

As a star of The Young Ones and Bottom, Edmondson has become one of this country's best-loved comedians, but fans will see his dark side when he plays the ultimate villain, Captain Hook.

He has also branched out into straight acting, music and writing, but it is unlikely that, as an alternative comedian in the 80s, he imagined he would one day perform the famous Ghost Bench Gag.

The fairy Tinkerbell will be played with effortless grace by Dave Lee, the comedian from Herne who has been doing plenty of flying this year, so he should be looking forward to taking to the wing once again. Resplendent in his pink tutu and tasteful makeup, Lee's Tinkerbell is sure to be a vision of beauty.

As Hook's bumbling sidekick Smee, Ben Roddy will have his work cut out to please his villainous master. After training at the Webber Douglas Academy of Dramatic Art, Roddy starred in a variety of theatre shows from Strangers On A Train and Deep Blue Sea to When Did You Last See Your Trousers?.

He has also appeared in musicals such as Oklahoma! and The Wizard Of Oz, along with television and film work

Steven Butler and Gemma Sutton also join the cast for this fabulous story about the boy who never grew

up.
Ticket prices start at just £10 and performance times vary, so pick up a brochure or visit the website at www.newmarlowetheatre.org.uk to find out more. Book online or phone the box office on 01227 787787.



FOR MORE THEATRE AND ENTERTAINMENT VISIT yourkenttv.co.uk

with

#### **JANE CONNOLLY**

Email jane.connolly@kosmedia.co.uk





#### **QUEXMAS**

Saturday and Sunday, November 28-29

Quex House and Museum, Birchington

STEP into a Dickensian world of festivities during Quexmas, the vibrant Victorian extravaganza.

Even Scrooge cannot dampen the spirits at this colourful period celebration, which features Santa Claus, singing, entertainment and even the old miser himself.

Ebenezer Scrooge.
This busy two-day event features a packed line-up of attractions, from carol-singers to the incredible feats of the Strong Man.

Sample Victorian wares and shop for gifts as you mingle with the characters found in the house and museum.

Hear winter's tales in the company of the Broadstairs Victorians, see Dickensian scenes played out in the festive dining room of Quex House and join in the music



Sunday, November 29 Granville Theatre, Ramsgate

FROM classic musicals to contemporary hits, Through The Stage Door promises to be an uplifting theatrical celebration.

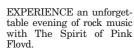
The latest show from Stage Door Theatre Com-- which brought pany – which brought Thanet audiences the acclaimed sell-out productions of Rent and Hairspray - Through the Stage Door should be another hugely entertaining experience.

Packed with showstoppers from much-loved musicals, it will give the audience a taste of many West End and Broadway shows in just one perform-

From the drama of Blood Brothers and the comedy of Sister Act, to the horror of

#### THE SPIRIT OF PINK **FLOYD**

Saturday, November 28 Winter Gardens, Margate



After a brief summer break, the tribute band are continuing their world tour with a visit to Thanet, where Floyd fans can immerse themselves in that distinctive live experience.

Hear some of rock's bestloved music performed on stage with style, accuracy and panache in this world-

The nine-piece band were formed earlier this year and include six members of another well-known Floyd tribute band, Off the Wall.

With a wealth of music experience behind each one,



hall with the Marley Players. Live music will be provided by Chatham House School

Band on both mornings and Birchington Silver Band on Saturday morning.

Anyone in the mood for festive fare can enjoy the fivecourse Queen's Banquet and specially-commissioned Dickens drama on Saturday

Admission to Quexmas costs £7/£5 and covers both days, while tickets for the banquet and drama cost £32 and are bookable in advance.

For more details, phone 01843 842168 or visit www.quexpark.co.uk



Thriller Live and the magic of Starlight Express, there is plenty to entertain musical fans of all tastes.

Venture back into the Alps with The Sound of Music, stroll along Avenue Q, join the bohemian artists of Rent and tap your toes to the sounds of Our House in this extravaganza of great music.

Performances start at 2pm and 7pm and tickets cost £6. To book, call the box office on 01843 591750.

For more information, www.stagedoorvisit theatrecompany.com.



between them the bandmembers have worked with a diverse range of artists such as Gabrielle, M People, Sugababes, All Saints, Gary Barlow, the Sneaker Pimps and the Mighty Wah.

While providing the stunning light shows and visually-interactive experience fans expect, The Spirit of Pink Floyd interpret the songs in their own way.

The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £18/£17.

To book, phone 01843 292795/296111, or visit www. margatewintergardens. co.uk

#### **THANET LEISURE**

#### Young talents singing the blues at Westcoast

TWO young blues stars in the making are to perform at Westcoast in Margate. Signed to Dave Stewart's record label at the age of 16, Joanne Shaw Taylor has worked with musicians like BB King and Bill Wyman and had a chart-topping album. She will be supported by Virgil and the Accelerators, whose 18-year-old front man also looks set for stardom.

Doors open at 7.30pm on Friday and tickets cost £10 in advance or £12 on the door. To book, phone 0208 761 9078.

#### **Choir gets Christmas** spirit in church concert

ENJOY an evening of festive music with the Canterbury Singers at St Nicholasat-Wade Church on Saturday.

The programme includes works by JS Bach, advent carols and a newlycommissioned hymn by composer T Hewitt Jones, along with Movements from Haydn's St Nicholas Mass.

The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £7.50 on the door. Refreshments will be available during the interval.

#### **Players present peach** of an adventure story

A YOUNG boy embarks on an incredible adventure in Roald Dahl's classic story, James And The Giant Peach.

Sarah Thorne Junior Drama Group present this magical tale at the Memorial Theatre in Broadstairs on Saturday and Sunday.

Performances are at 7pm on Saturday and 2.30pm on Sunday. Tickets cost £6/£5. To book, phone 0845 262 6263.

#### **Lostprophets find** themselves at Gardens

WELSH rockers Lostprophets will be paying a visit to Thanet early next year. Shortly after the release of their fourth

album, The Betrayed, the band will be at

the Winter Gardens in Margate.
Tickets for the concert on Tuesday,
February 9, are £22.50. Book at www. margatewintergardens.co.uk, or phone 01843 292795/296111.

#### **VIEW THIS CLIP ON**

yourkenttv.co.uk



Tuck into the Euro Fair With The Kent Food Festival. Search 'Euro'





#### Thanet's Best Kept Secret Family Pub & Restaurant

• Great Food • Great Prices • Great Atmosphere

Pre-Christmas Party menu and Christmas Day menu now available



CHARITY EVENINGS 29TH NOV QUIZ NIGHT (including buffet) 8TH DEC MURDER MYSTERY with a 3 course meal £22.95 per head 

Sunday Roasts • Thursday Steak Night Sorry No Food Mondays

The Acorn Inn 6 Park Lane Birchington • 01843 841196



For information and advice on travelling in Kent and for all our traffic regulation orders, please see the Kent on Saturday or the Kent on Sunday or visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/ highways

Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th December

NEW exciting menu
with main course dishes from just \$8,90 which includes
Setundoy nights or an

a selection of three vegetables plus saute potatos www.deesbistro.co.uk

01304 611145





Book NOW for your pre-christmas celebration 💉 with friends, family or work colleagues

Out and about Christmas shopping?

Why not call in for a Healthy, Nutritious, Fat-free and delicious lunch at our Mel Sushi & Noodle Bar

Upper Bridge St, Canterbury Open Mon-Sat 12 noon - 4pm & 6pm - 11pm Tel: 01227 455888

#### THE GROVE FERRY 01227 860302 | www.thegroveferry.co.uk

Don't forget us this Christmas. Jazz by the river, Koaring log fires, Winter recipes... ... pop in and see us.

Cotin. Anthony ; Jason & Tim



## yourlocal eating

Advertise your venue on yourkenttv.co.uk – the Kent local search directory

## Dreaming of a white Christmas? Here it is

#### ■ Dog and Duck

CHRISTMAS approaching and the popular Dog and Duck in Plucks Gutter is getting booked up for the festive season.

Places for Christmas Day itself are still available - but going fast.

The holidays will see a host of activities in the well-regarded eatery, which really does know how to throw a party.

On Christmas Eve, the Snowdon brass band will be present, along with carol-singers and mem-bers of the Salvation Army, to add that special festive musical atmosphere.

There will even be a snowmachine to make sure conditions look right, along with traditional mulled wine and mince pies.

Christmas will well and truly come to the front door of the Dog and Duck and visitors will be transported to a festive time straight from an old-fashioned greetings

On New Year's Eve a fancy-dress disco with food is being held and children are especially welcome.

Then, looking further into the New Year, a Valentine's Day menu will ensure a memorable night for couples who want to celebrate in excellent surroundings, with fine food and drink and very attentive and experienced staff.

This winter, special home-made warming dishes are on the menu and visitors are promised a festive season to remember.

Dog and Duck, Plucks Gutter, Stourmouth, near Canterbury. Phone 01843 821542.



#### Fine food, great service, delightful settings!

The Fayreness Hotel Marine Drive Kingsgate Tel: 01843 868641 www.favreness.co.uk

The Oak Hotel 66 Harbour Parade Ramsgate Tel: 01843 583686 www.oakhotel.co.uk

The Pegwell Bay Hotel and Sir Stanley Gray Freehouse Tel: 01843 599590





HORLEY TAVER R N

Atlantis Restaurant Harbour Parade Ramsgate Tel: 01843 581582

The Captain Digby Broadstairs Tel: 01843 867764 www.captaindigby.co.uk

The Tartar Frigate Broadstairs Tel: 01843 862013

BOOK NOW FOR CHRISTMAS!

SECTIONS MADE OF THE REAL WAY INVESTIGATION

WEDNESDAY ROAST JUST £4.95 FOOD SERVED ALL DAY EVERY DAY

227 Hereson Road, Dumpton, Ramsgate Tel: **01843 593 011** 

## out guide



To advertise in the next eating out guide, please phone **01303 817150** 

#### and benefit from downloadable offer vouchers and display your menu online!



## Eat to the beat at live music nights

#### **■** Prince of Wales, Hoath

THE village of Hoath is the setting for one of the finest traditional English pubs in the area, which is renowned for both its food and drink.

The Prince of Wales in Maypole Road preserves the traditional pub atmosphere with live music and gourmet evenings – no karaoke or gaming machines spoil the ambience.

Those looking for excellent food know that this is always supplied by the three full-time chefs who work tirelessly to provide the very best for the tables seven days a week.

A candlelit atmosphere and attractive floral displays add to the feeling of warmth which is apparent to all who come to the pub.

Live music, including jazz and opera as well

as cabaret evenings, is another attraction at this venue, ensuring that its refinement marks it out from the crowd.

Owner Marc Perkins has spent four years at the pub. He said: "I have been in the business for 15 years, but I am always looking to improve standards.

"This is a great pub in an excellent location with opportunity to expand.

"Our staff offer excellent service and the quality of the food and drink is second to none"

Families and children are welcome to the venue, which has a loyal clientele.

The pub is open from 11am until midnight each day of the week and food is available all the time.

The Prince of Wales, Maypole Road, Hoath, near Canterbury CT3 4LN. Telephone 01227 860338.

#### **CHEF RECOMMENDS**

#### **Racing Greyhound**

Starter: Garlic mushrooms in a filo pastry basket. Main course: Whole grilled wing of

Main course: Whole grilled wing of skate with garlic and herb butter, served with seasonal veg and potatoes. Dessert: Panacotta with poached winter berries, choice of cream or ice-cream Telephone: 01843 593011.

#### **Dees Bistro**

Main course: New seasonal main courses include steak, horseradish and ale pie with seasonal vegetables or baked fillet of sea bass with chilli, ginger and spring onions. Telephone: 01304 611145.

#### Walpole Bay

Starter: Moules mariniere, cooked to the chef's own recipe.

Main course: Fresh cod wrapped in bacon, served with baby new potatoes, and fresh, local seasonal vegetables or salad.

Dessert: Home-made apple pie with cloves, served with custard or cream. Telephone: 01843 221703.

#### **Holiday Inn Express**

Starter: a selection of popular starters available.

Main course: Sirloin steak from our local Minster butcher.

Dessert: Home-made apple and cinnamon crumble, served with crème Anglaise

Telephone: 01843 820250.

#### Thai restaurant, above Yoshi

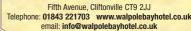
Starter: Shangri-La mixed platter, with chicken satay, prawn in blanket, prawn and pork on sesame toast and spring rolls.

Main course: Stir-fried roast duck. Slices of honey-roasted duck stir-fried with onions and sweet peppers in a homemade Thai aromatic herb sauce with abalone.

Telephone: 01227 455888.

#### Walpole Bay Hotel

- Sunday 5 course luncheon £15.95 (pre booking essential)
- Try our "scrumptious" cream teas with homemade scones from £4.50
- Lounge bar open to non residents daily









Dishes from only £5.95, all home-made Serving from 6pm - 10pm To book, call us on 01843 820250



**Tothill Street, Minister Nr Ramsgate CT12 4AU** 

WALES

HOATH

Our team of chefs show you don't have to stay at home to save money

NEW WINTER MENU

MONDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

2 Course Candlelight Meal £10

2 Course Lunch – Monday-Saturday £8.95

FOOD SERVED ALL DAY SUNDAY 12 noon till 8pm

BOOK NOW FOR CHRISTMAS

3 course meal and coffee £23.95

1st - 23rd of December

PHONE FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATION

01227 860338 www.princeofwales.co.uk

Awarded 5 star rating

Sign up for local resident dining membership, Please see reception for details

## Spend Christmas 2009 at

#### The Pavilion

Tomato & Mozzarella Salad

Moroccan Chicken

On a bed of Cous Cous, Apricots and Raisins drizzled with Moroccan Spiced Oil

Tempura Goujons of Plaice

Traditional Roast Turkey

Chef's Homemade Vegetable Pie in a Light Savoury Crust Served with a Fresh Asparagus Sauce

Chicken Breast wrapped in Bacon on a Potato Rosti

Homemade Steak & Ale Pie

Poached Salmon Fillet with a Watercress Sauce

Raspberry & Vanilla Ice Cream Roulade

**Traditional Christmas Pudding** 

Mousse Al Cioccolato

Fresh Fruit Salad

**English Cheese Plate** 

Coffee & Mints

£28.00

me dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details)

To book call now on: 01843 600 999

Pavilion, Harbour St, Broadstairs, Kent, CT10 1EU

#### The Captain Digby

Cream of Winter Vegetable Soup

Classic Prawn Cocktail

Trio of Melon Kebab

Chef's Crab Cakes

Smoked Chicken & Bacon Caesar Salad

**Traditional Roast Turkey** 

Half a Roasted Pheasant infused with Orange

Grilled Smoked Haddock Fillet
Topped with Three Cheeses on a Cherry Tomato, Potato & Chive Salad

Half Stuffed Peppers

Filled with Chunky Mediterranean Vegetables topped with a Herb Crumb.

Served with Rice & Tomato & Basil Sauce

**Braised Lamb Shank** 

**Traditional Christmas Pudding** 

Homemade Baileys and White Chocolate Cheesecake

Tarte Au Citron

Profiteroles served with Hot Chocolate Sauce Selection of English Cheeses

Coffee & Mints

£19.50

Some dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details) To book call now on: 01843 867 764

#### The Pegwell Bay Hotel & Sir Stanley Gray

Chef's Parsnip & Apple Soup Smoked Salmon Terrine

Warm Spicy Chicken Vol-au-Vent

Melon & Berries topped with Creme Fraiche

Creamy Garlic Button Mushrooms

Traditional Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing

Steamed Vegetable Pudding and fresh vegetables

Roast Lamb Shank on a bed of Mashed Potato

Grilled Halibut Steak with a Vermouth Sauce, Braised Sirloin Steak in a Whiskey & Mushroom Sauce

**Profiteroles with warm Chocolate Sauce Christmas Pudding and Brandy Sauce Homemade Sticky Toffee Pudding** 

Mature Cheddar, Brie & Stilton Cheese Plate

Coffee & Mints

Lunch £17.50 Dinner £19.50 & Dinner Dance £23.50



Some dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details To book call now on: 01843 599 590 81 Pegwell Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 0NJ Whiteness Road, Kingsgate Bay, Broadstairs

#### **ATLANTIS**

Fresh Vine Tomato Soup

Homemade Chicken Liver Terrine

Classic Prawn Cocktail

Pan-fried Wild Mushrooms

Chef's Homemade Fish Cakes

Traditional Roast English Turkey

Fresh Fillet of Salmon

and new potatoes

**Oven Roasted Mediterranean Crumble** 

Roasted Chump of English Lamb

**Grilled Fillet of Hake** 

Traditional Christmas Pudding

Homemade Chocolate and

Whiskey Mousse Swiss Vanilla Ice Cream Garnished with strawberries

Traditional English Cheese Plate

Homemade Apple and Cinnamon Strudel

Coffee & Mints

£24.50

Some dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details) To book call now on: 01843 583 686 Harbour Parade, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 8HA

#### The Fayreness Hotel

Homemade Leek & Stilton Soup
With chopped Toasted Chestnuts & served with a Fresh Roll & Butter

Baked Field Mushroom

Deep-fried Breaded Goats Cheese on a Bed of Rocket served with a Strawberry & Chilli Jam

Thai Chicken & Red Pepper Brochette

Scottish Smoked Trout & Horseradish Pate

**Roast Kentish Turkey** 

Red Pepper, Olive & Halloumi Gateau

Half Roasted Pheasant in a Port, Pate & Wild Mushroom Sauce

Salmon & Sea Bass Mille Feuille

**Traditional Christmas Pudding** 

Homemade Cherry & Apple Crumble

**Chocolate Truffle Torte** 

Fresh Fruit Salad

served with a Creme de Cassis Liqueur Ice Cream Assorted English Cheeses & Biscuits

> Coffee & Mints £26.00

**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL** 10% OFF

m rates when booked with any Christmas Party To book call now on: 01843 868 641



Free bottle or Sunrise Wine rok every 4 diners

All details must be valid and completed in the form below I confirm I am over 18

#### WINE OFFER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Only one voucher per sitting
Offer is valid on presentation of this completed coupon on arrival at
any participating Thorley Tavern
Coupons can only be used once
Photocopied, altered or damaged copons will not be accepted
Offer available to customers aged 18 or over
Manager has right to refuse custom at his discretion
Offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer

There is no cash alternative Offer valid from Monday 5th January to Friday 30th January 2010 10. Four main course meals must be ordered to qualify

## THORLEY TAVERNS

#### The Tartar Frigate

Parsnip & Apple Soup

Avocado, smoked salmon & Prawn Stack

Roast Fig, Parma Ham, Rocket & Melon Salad

Saute of Woodland Mushrooms Warm Duck & Mango Salad

Roast Turkey & Seasonal Trimmings

Prime Sirloin Steak with a Port & Stilton Sauce

Half Roast Pheasant, Savoy Cabbage & Pancetta

with a Red Wine & Juniper Sauce

Gilthead Bream Fillets on Braised Fennel & Chard with a Shellfish Sauce

Mushroom & Leeks with a Herb Cheese Crumble on a Bubble & Squeak and Mushroom Sauce

European Cheeseboard Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce

Baileys Cheesecake with a Rich Chocolate Ice Crean

Fresh Fruit Salad Date & Banana Pudding

with Caramel Sauce

Coffee & Mints £23.50

#### The Oak Hotel

Broccoli & Stilton Soup Prawn Cocktail

Stuffed Mushrooms

With smooth Pork Pate & Wensleydale Sauce Melon with Star Fruit and a Mango Coulis

**Chef's Homemade Courgette Fritters** 

Kentish Roast Turkey

Topside of Beef in a Mushroom, Shallot & Red Wine Sauce

Pork Steaks with a Ginger & Madeira Sauce

Salmon on a Bed of Leek Carbonara

All served with Seasonal Vegetables, Roast & Boiled Potatoes

Plum & Apple Pie

**Kumquats Suzettes Profiteroles** 

Served with Hot Chocolate Sauce

Chef's Own Sherry Trifle

Coffee & Mints

£19.50



ome dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details To book call now on: 01843 862 013 Pavillion, Harbour St, Broadstairs, Kent, CT10 1EU

dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more deta To book call now on: 01843 583 686 Harbour Parade, Ramsgate, Kent, CT11 8HA

#### The ST Lawrence Tavern

Roast Parsnip & Chestnut Soup

Classic Prawn Cocktail Served With Marie Rose Sauce Roast Vegetable Terrine

Grilled Forest Mushrooms Topped With Smoked Bacon and Mozzarella **Our Herb Crumbed Goats Cheese** 

**Traditional Roast Turkey** 

Roast Topside of Beef

Chargrilled Salmon
Served With Ratatouille & a Balsamic Dressing

Wild Mushroom Strudel

Somerset Pork
Served In A Rich Creamy Cider Sauce

**Traditional Christmas Pudding** 

Caramelised Oranges

Served With Rich Chocolate Ice Crean

**Baileys Chocolate Cream Pots** 

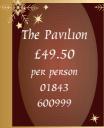
Winter Berry Crepes
Served with Honey & Pecan Ice Cre Traditional English Cheese Plate and Biscuits

Coffee & Mints £17.50

Some dishes may contain nuts (please ask for more details To book call now on: 01843 592 337 High Street, St Lawrence, Ramsgate CT11 0QP

#### Christmas Day Lunch

Treat the ramily to the perfect Christmas present and give onum the day orr!













The Pegwell Bay Hotel £55.00 per person 01843 5<u>99</u>590

**ATLANTIS** £59.50 01843 583686

#### Children

As always we have reduced rates for children and infants, please phone The Restaurant or your choice for details.

## How to book your perfect

### Christmas Party

1 Choose your party venue 2 Telephone to check availability and make reservation 3 We will send you a booking form to complete 4 Return your booking form and menu selection with your deposit to secure your booking

Please book early to avoid діѕарроінттент We look rorward to seeing you!

Merky Christmas Happy New Year

THORLEYTAVERNS





For information and advice on travelling in Kent and for all our traffic regulation orders, please see the Kent on Saturday or the Kent on Sunday or visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/highways



yourthanetstyle

## A little thought saves a long Way

- Inside your pull-out supplement
- Prepare yourself for the 50 per cent tax
- It pays to read the paperwork
- Being a good sport can pay off
- VAT is back, make sure you're ready
- Consumer legislation is under review
- Consider a greener investment
- Isn't it time the banks made changes?

- Road tax isn't the only financial burden
- Drive your way to bigger savings
- Cars versus bank accounts
- How the scarppage scheme adds up
- The cross-Channel people carrier

### Thrive not survive...

To start saving visit:

#### www.vouchersforkent.co.uk

to download vouchers from our great savings booklets



#### what's inside

#### Page 4-5

Whilst the electorate loved it, not everyone's looking forward to the new 50 per cent tax rate that's due to come in next year, but it doesn't have to be all doom and gloom for those who have to pay

#### Page 6

Forewarned is forearemed when it comes to checking the lease for your business property, suffering a little paperwork now could save you from more later

#### Page 7

You can raise your company's profile without having to spend a

fortune on advertising when you take up sport sponsorship

#### Pages 8-9

We all know VAT's due to return to 17.5 per cent with the coming of the new year, but what exactly does that mean for your business?

#### Pages 10

Consumer legislation is due for an overhaul as the European Parliament reviews current regulations, it's vital that you're prepared

#### Pages 12-13

Going green and eco-friendly are the new buzzwords for our way of life, but are they also becoming a more viable alternative for investing our hard earned? It looks like they might just be worth considering

#### Page 14

The country's paid the banks billions in bailout money, so isn't it about time we saw some of the benefits?

#### Page 15

Consider the bigger picture when trading in your car to downsize on road tax, it might not actually save you money

#### Page 16

Get your driving into gear and you could save a boot load of cash with these tips to keep you on track

#### Page 17

Is a bank account or a car a

better investment? We take a look at some of the options worth considering

#### Page 18

After an overwhelming response to the Government Scrappage Scheme it's now been confirmed an extra £150m will be added to the pot, which is certainly worth considering, but don't worry if you can't enjoy the offer - there are a lot of great deals out there anyway

#### Pages 19

Our friends from across the Channel have proved how successful a van can be converted into a people carrier, and now we're learning to take advantage of the model too

## Essential guide to where you can save

- SCG Construction in Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off all landscaping
- Old Sawmills furniture store in Ashford is offering 20 per cent off all showroom items
- The White House hair and beauty salon in Deal is offering a free manicure at the same time as a cut and finish
- Village Hotel, hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering 50 per cent off leisure club joining fee when you present a voucher available from www.vouchersforkent.co.uk
- KOS is offering ultra slim Danish Skagen watches for men and women at only £69.99, saving £20 on the RRP
- Furniture Island in Folkestone is offering an extra five per cent off everything in store every Saturday and Sunday
- Bannatyne Health Club in Ashford is offering two complimentary personal training sessions with fully qualified instructors if you sign up with Bannatyne Health Club Ashford today
- Experience the natural comfort, warmth and luxury of a traditional feather mattress with the innovative mattress topper from only £39.99, save over 50 per cent. Various sizes available thanks to KOS offer
- Maidstone Kia motor dealer in Maidstone is offering 10 per cent off all accessories
- Secure Style windows doors and conservatories in Herne Bay is offering 30 per cent off conservatories

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers

## Prudence will pay you dividends

FOR ALL THE INFORMATION ON HOW TO INCLUDE YOUR BUSINESS ON

**VOUCHERSFORKENT.CO.UK TELEPHONE KOS MEDIA ON 01303 817150** 

CHRISTMAS is going to place its own demands on your bank account and many people are planning to spend less this year.

It is tough and while we are all waiting for any sign that the recession's over, the priority for both individuals and businesses is to make sure they survive until it's over.

This month in Money Matters there are tips for individuals and ideas for business to make your cash go further.

For you, check out some of the many money-saving offfers ava-

ialable at vouchersforkent.co.uk. There are offers for leisure, food

There are offers for leisure, food and drink; motors and servicing; and retail, trades and services.

It really couldn't be more easy to do. Just flick through the online books, print out the offers you want, and then start saving money.

With just five weeks to go, it may easier spread out the present

buying over a few months and the vouchers can help.

So why not spend a few minutes flicking through the online booklets, and you may end up being able to tick off a few people from your present list and save yourself money at the same time.

Happy shopping and we wish all of readers well.



- Free Measuring Service
  - Free Design Service
    - Free Delivery

The Old Sawmills are specialists in the manufacture of exclusive bespoke furniture, handcrafted in our workshop in Bethersden, Kent

For more information please visit our website www.oldsawmills.com or visit our showroom

Units 4 & 5 Colt Works, Pluckley Road, Bethserden, Ashford, Kent TN26 3DD Tel: 01233 822417 Email: info@oldsawmills.com





# Avoid the January blues with early advice and support

WHILE many businesses may be finding the going tough at the moment, there will be some for whom the Christmas and New Year period brings no festive cheer at all, leaving them facing the prospect of closing.

It's a depressing fact that more businesses fail in the first three months of the year than during any other quarter and this could be especially marked in 2010, as many firms are having to look more closely at how they operate and their cash flow in order to make it through the recession

through the recession.

Why the seasonal headache? For SMEs, December is often a less productive time because of holidays, sickness and Christmas spirit, but wages still have to be paid during the yuletide break. The added difficulty in securing supplies, getting paid and often in

**MARK NEWMAN**, a partner at newly launched HCW Recovery Solutions LLP, a corporate recovery service introduced through accountants Horwath Clark Whitehill LLP, explains that with the right advice Kent's small and medium businesses (SMEs) can avoid the traditional difficulties of New Year survival

simply getting work out of the door over the Christmas period means a severe cash crisis could be looming come January.

There's a widespread perception that insolvency is a last desperate resort, but we would always urge businesses to seek advice at an early stage as pre-emptive action can ensure the business continues. Burying your head in the sand can be as damaging for your business as it can with your health. It is far better to undergo minor surgery in order to make a recovery, than to let things drift and discover the prognosis is terminal.

There are also a number of steps SMEs can take to mitigate any nasty surprises which may be brought about by seasonal difficulties:
• Plan ahead and produce accurate management accounts on which to make sensible

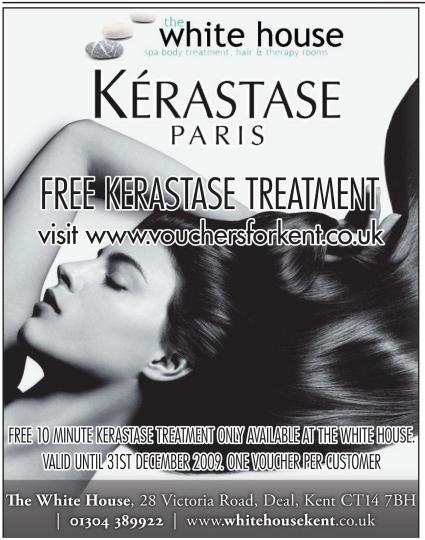
business decisions. At the very least, businesses need to determine which creditors, including the taxman, are pressing. And when and how they can be paid.

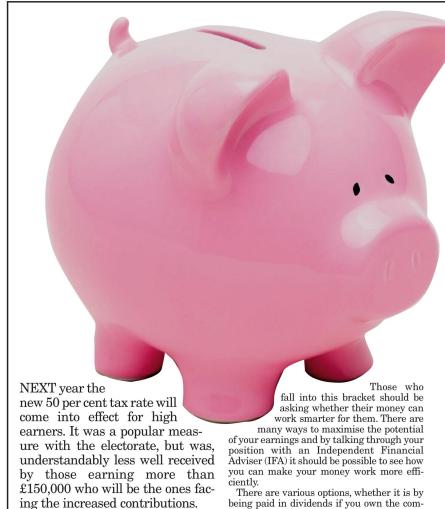
- Produce accurate cash-flow forecasts so you know where you stand and don't be afraid to talk to suppliers and customers about payment terms. More importantly, be open and honest with your staff.
- If problems loom look at how you can reduce the gap between in and outgoings.
- Talk to an expert are your business sys-

tems as efficient as they can be or are you wasting valuable management time and money? Is your business tax efficient too?

- Stay calm. Just because a business comes under pressure from creditors does not mean that, with the right action and advice, it cannot survive.
- The best tool is always planning ahead. If this problem is a regular occurrence at this time of year, a strategy is needed to iron out any cyclical problems. The key is always not to panic, take the right advice and be honest with yourself in making projections and forecasts. Plan for the worst-case scenario and the reality isn't likely to be nearly so bad.







Skips from £40!

we will beat

ANY like for like quote

All areas covered

- 3 to 12 yard skips
- tipper service and grab lorry
- recycling and waste management
- domestic & commercial
- rolonof bins 15-40 yd

Open 6 days a week 7am-6pm Monday to Friday 7am-1pm Saturday

AAAAAA Thanet Waste Services Ltd

01843 821500, 01304 626364, 01227 389999 www.thanet-waste.co.uk





...colour / detail / lifestyle



In-toto Kitchens Canterbury 21a Lower Bridge Street, Canterbury CT1 2LG

Tel: 01227 451777 Fax: 01227 451797 email: canterbury@intoto.co.uk





www.intoto.co.uk/canterbury

## Some independent advice could save you a packet



Given how much time directors spend thinking about their company's money, it is surprising how little attention some of them pay to their own finances, says CHRIS WINNING, Managing Partner at Clydesdale Bank's financial solutions centre in Tunbridge Wells

pany, being paid in share options, incorporating yourself as a company if you are self-employed – an adviser can suggest what is best for you.

Clydesdale Bank has two business branches in Kent – Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells – but we also provide private banking solutions and our IFA service is an integral aspect of this. We have been holding a series of briefings in which our local IFAs, who have access to the most appropriate solutions from across the entire financial market, have been providing customers with guidance on the 50 per cent tax rate.

An IFA can also help with making other aspects of your finances more efficient including:

- ing:
   ISAs Compared to traditional savings accounts, ISAs are a tax-efficient way of saving money. Each year, you can invest up to £7,200 in an ISA. The full amount can be invested in a Stocks and Shares ISA, or you can deposit up to £3,600 in a Cash ISA and the balance in a Stocks and Shares
- Inheritance Tax Inheritance tax is paid on your total estate essentially everything you own when you die. This is current-

ly levied at 40 per cent of the value above the current tax-exempt threshold of £325,000 (£650,000 for married couples or civil partners). There are various strategies that can be employed to limit the tax liability of your estate after your death.

• Pensions – Depending on your income, you will receive full tax relief from the government on any pension contributions you make, up to £245,000 annually (and up to a maximum of £1,750,000 over your lifetime). If you are a higher rate tax payer, this could prove to be a great way to invest your money tax-efficiently.

## Essential guide to where you can save

- Village Hotel, hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering a free bottle of house wine when you present your voucher at time of booking your office Christmas lunch minimum table of four to qualify available from www.vouchersforkent.co.uk
- KOS is offering a porous seepage hose, so you can save time and money and use up to 70 per cent less water. From only £19.99 save £35 on RRP
- Northgate Alfa motor dealer in Canterbury is offering air conditioning services for £79.95+vat
- KOS is offering Severin Electric BBQ. Save £30 on offer price of £149.99, RRP £179.99
- Baileys Nissan motor dealer in Canterburyis offering 15 per cent off MOTs
- Living Out log cabin store, Chestfield, Maidstone is offering 10 per cent off
- KOS is offering a £200 saving on the Toyota CB04T Mark II sewing machine only £99.99 inc p&p RRP £299.99
- Chambers Motorcycles in Maidstone is offering free oil filter when you have your bike serviced in the service department.
- KOS is offering rechargable Micro Luggage Scales £19.99
- KOS is ofering the Extreme Bra for £24.99
- Rustic Summer House Company Ltd in Bearstead Nr Maidstone is offerng 10 per cent off for all the stock items

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers

#### One of Kent's best kept secrets...



"My name is David Bailey - No, not the society photographer! Together with my wife, Nikki, we run Umbermaster, a local firm based in Broadstairs that employs skilled craftsmen to design, manufacture and install high quality fitted kitchens and bedrooms. For over 30 years Umbermaster has served home owners in Thanet and surrounding districts, building a reputation for high standards and professionalism that is second-to-none."

Visit our showrooms and view the extensive range of 'sliding-robes' that compliment our collection of fitted bedrooms.



Umbermaster quality is unsurpassed and our prices are extremely competitive!



90% of new Umbermaster customers are recommended by previous clients.

,,,

"Together with our dedicated team, we manufacture all our own cabinets on-site in our workshops located nextdoor to our showrooms."

Over 20 displays on 2 floors. Qualified installers/or supply only. Full service throughout East Kent.

Open: Monday - Thursday 9.00am - 5.00pm Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm Saturday 10.00am - 3.00pm CLOSED SUNDAYS



New **Metris** range as launched on **Grand Designs**Worktops available in

Laminates, Solid Wood, Granite, Composite Stone, Corian, Sinks by Blanco, etc... Appliance main agents for Miele, NEFF, AEG, Maytag, Britannia, Electrolux

Manufacturers of quality kitchens

see your kitchen come to life with our 3D computer generated designs



Units 19-25 Blenheim Close, Pysons Road Industrial Estate, Broadstairs, Kent **01843 602607** 

www.umbermaster.co.uk info@umbermaster.co.uk

#### Essential guide to where you can save

- KOS is offering traditional barbeque grill and oven 'smoker bags' for £14.99
- SCG Construction in Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off all building works
- Experience the natural comfort, warmth and luxury of a traditional feather mattress with the innovative mattress topper from only £39.99, save over 50 per cent. Various sizes available thanks to KOS offer
- Wells Clinic in Ashford is offering £25 off removal of skin tags, moles, verrucas, warts, red veins, cysts and skin peels
- KOS is offering five Global knives set, scissors and block. Only £199.99, saving £150 off
- Village Hotel hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering 20 per cent off your bill at Starbucks café with a voucher, please note this offer is only valid at Village Hotel Maidstone – get your voucher from www.vouchersforkent.co.uk
- KOS is offering a leather organiser hand-bag by Jane Shilton only £49.99 inc p&p, saving £40 off RRP
- Northgate Alfa motor dealer in Canterbury is offering fixed-price servicing for cars three years plus. Bronze Care Petrol or Diesel £109
- KOS is offering luxury Egypitian cotton 400-count percale bed linen. Save up to 40 per cent off RRP
- True Grip leisure activity cantre in Canterbury is offering 15 minutes of karting, £10 on arrive and drive. Sundays only, 10am-2pm

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY TO ALL OFFERS

## Business property leases: Forewarned is forearmed

YOU'VE found the ideal new premises for your business, but before signing on the bottom line have you taken a close look at the lease? Richard Metcalfe of Metcalfe Stanley Hicks Chartered Building Surveyors, offers an insight into a little understood, but potentially very costly subject 'leasehold dilapidations'.

Everybody who leases a commercial property, regardless of its size or age, needs to understand that unless you take appropriate steps before signing the lease, you will be responsible for repairing the property before you leave regardless of its condition when you first occu-

Failing to understand the terms of your lease and its obligations can leave many businesses facing substantial and unwelcome costs at the end of their term.

For example, an occupier of industrial premises wished to vacate one unit and move into another. Naturally anxious to minimise their liabilities on each of the premises, they sought professional advice and settled at £75,000, approximately 50 per cent of the amount claimed on the property being vacated. The new premises had been inadequately refurbished and had a roof nearing the end of its life. After negotiation the landlord completed



SIGN: Know what you are signing up for

the refurbishment to a higher standard and provided a new roof, saving the incoming tenant £65,000 and ensuring a trouble-free period of occupation. In total £140,000 was saved by taking appropriate dilapidations advice.

In the vast majority of cases it is the responsibility of the outgoing leaseholder to repair and reinstate the property before the end of the lease. In the absence of this the leaseholder must compensate the landlord.

Getting the work done can be disruptive to the leaseholder's business and may force them to vacate early. Negotiating a financial sum with the landlord can be difficult and involve substantial legal costs.

Chartered Building Surveyors work closely with legal advisors to negotiate the pitfalls of dilapidations, ensuring their clients, be they landlords or leaseholders, respectively maximise their gains or minimise their losses when buildings are being vacated.

Too often businesses believe that, as they are leasing rather than purchasing, there's no need for a Building Survey. This is a danger-ous misconception and before signing any commercial lease you must obtain proper professional advice and quantify your liabilities. This ensures the true cost of the lease can be measured and contingencies made to avoid unexpected costs when the building is handed

As a lease nears its end, landlords also need to take appropriate legal advice and consult a chartered building surveyor. A Schedule of Dilapidations must be prepared and served on the lessee in good time and sufficient detail by an experienced chartered building surveyor practitioner.

If you are the prospective leaseholder the message is: Forewarned is forearmed - consult your chartered building surveyor before you sign the lease, and again in the last year of the lease, so that you may plan your effective exit. The key is not waiting until you receive a Schedule of Dilapidations from your landlord. • Metcalfe Stanley Hicks – www.msh-cbs.co.uk – is experienced in advising both landlords and leaseholders in respect of their liabilities under commercial leases for repair of buildings and in costing disrepair and pursuing claims.



**At Oliver Carpets** we adopt a different policy!



#### worry po

Old carpet down? Don't worry, we dispose of it

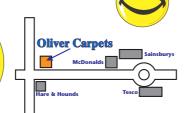
Furniture to move? Don't worry, our team will move it

Can't leave your home? Don't worry, **Home Call Service** 



**Fitting • Estimates • Delivery Gripper Rods • Door Bars** On all carpets & vinyls

over 30 ROLLS of discounted stock just arrived in store!



We don't need to do 50% or 70% carpet sales our prices are competitive all year round

## liver Carpets

326 Margate Road Ramsgate 01843 594200 171 High Street Herne Bay 01227 363777 121 Northdown Road Cliftonville 01843 298844

Visit our showrooms to see the latest designs and fashions at unbeatable prices with service to match

Open 9-5.30 Monday - Satuday

## Enjoy a winning streak with sport sponsorship

#### **By Rodney Chambers**

WHEN it comes to building a company's profile, as well as investing in the internet, media relations and advertising, many also look to put their hard-earned cash and name to a sporting endeavour.

One such company is GSE Group, the construction group based in Ashford. It's been a case of 'nothing breeds success like success' thanks to the winning ways of GSE Racing Airwaves Yamaha Superbike team. Over the years motor racing has provided an excellent opportunity for the business to market itself to existing and potential clients.

GSE Racing is the most successful team in British Superbike history, with five championship titles (including the Championship), countless race wins and a reputation for producing future world champions. Its Airwaves Yamaha team riders, Leon Camier and James Ellison, finished the 2009 season as champion and runner-up respective-

Darrell Healey, founder and chairman of GSE Group, utilised his passion for motor racing and recognised that performance on track could help promote the business, when he first

put the company name to the GSE Racing team back in 1997.

In addition to the association of success, GSE Group is able to use its sponsorship as a unique opportunity to offer first class hospitality to clients in a thrilling race-fuelled environment. Derek Gilburt, a director at GSE Group said: "At GSE Group, we interpret high quality corporate entertainment as an investment. We aim to differentiate ourselves from competitors and offer face to face time with clients in a relaxed and informal environ-

The construction industry is still a fiercely price driven market and GSE Group recognises the importance of establishing and maintaining both personal and professional relationships with its clients.
At a time when many companies are reducing marketing budgets, the GSE Group uses client entertainment as a way of controlling its marketing spend through strategic activity.

Derek Gilburt continues: "Corporate entertainment provides access to a targeted and captive audience. If you're going to invest time and money in a corporate event. it's important to ensure you have the right clients there, and this is much easier in a controlled hospitality environment.

The use of corporate entertainment via the

GSE Racing team adds further value to GSE Group by creating a lasting impression with key decision makers. Derek Gilburt added: "When an existing client takes up a new position with a company we've not yet formed a

whole new opportunity. At GSE Group, we know that showing commitment to our clients in the long term has benefits way beyond the chequered flag.

> **SPECIAL OFFERS** Sandstone Paving from £14.25 m2 **Natural Sandstone**

> > **Patio Packs**

from £14.25 m2



ON TRACK: GSE Group is the name behind the GSE Racing Airwaves Yamaha Superbike Team

#### Where Quality Comes as Standard



Looking to replace your oven? Come and talk to our experienced staff - with over 80 years expertise between them we know you will get the right advice you need to help you make your choice

Amazing range of quality integrated appliances at prices you can afford



Installation Delivery/Takeaway Services Available

11 Waterloo Street Maidstone **ME15 7UG** 

Wright's Warehouse ? 01622 690246 9am - 5.30pm

open Monday Saturday

www.wrightswarehouse.co.uk email: sales@wrightswarehouse.co.uk

BEKO

Hotpoint

BOSCH

- Professional advice
- Huge selection of products in stock
- Laying service available

• Limestone Paving from £14.25 m2

 Slate Paving from £14.00 m2

• Granite Setts/Paving from £22.00 m2

Sandstone Spheres from £9.50 each

• Travertine Paving from £38.00 m2



**OPENING HOURS:** VISIT OUR SHOWROOM: Mon-Fri 7.30am - 5pm • Saturday 8.00am - 1pm

Stone Court • Stone Way • Lakesview Business Park • Hersden • Kent CT3 4GP

01227 713832 www.ukstoneimports.com

our unique range of summerhouses are ideal for...

- smoking shelters
- bbq, patio and
- poolside areas





- deliver
- prepare base &
- build in a day





we also stock . . . solid oak tables

- chairs
- benches
- pots & planters





t: 01622 631047

**PEUGEOT** 

**PEUGEO** 

therusticsummerhousecompany

e: info@therusticsummerhousecompany.co.uk

www.therusticsummerhousecompany.co.uk

## **VAT you need**

ALTHOUGH HM Revenue and Customs has a new 45 page guidance document on its website and 13 pages on the anti-avoidance rules, many businesses will need help to understand them during the coming months. If you are in any doubt about the changes, seek specialist advice as early as possible. HMRC has stated it will not

GOING UP: Be prepared for the VAT rate rise in January

specifically target change of errors unless there is a loss of revenue, if you do make errors you may have to account for extra VAT you have not charged, plus interest and a potential penalty of up to 30 per cent for not taking reasonable care. By planning early you may be able to improve your own cash flow and help some customers save VAT.

Tax point rules

For any supply of goods or services VAT has to be charged at the so-called 'tax

For goods, the basic tax point is when the goods are delivered or made available. But this is overridden if invoicing or payment occurs earlier. If both occur before the basic tax point it is whichev-er is the earliest.

**Example 1:** On December 15 I order a computer to be delivered in mid January. I pay the invoice dated December 15 on the same day. The VAT rate is 15 per cent. Many retailers are likely to promote the 2.5 per cent VAT saving and it will improve their own cash flow.

But there are also special rules which aim to assist mainly large

businesses' invoicing and accounting procedures.

Example 2: Goods are handed over to a business customer on December 28, but the invoice follows on January 5 and is paid on February 5. Although the basic tax point is the first event, if the invoice is issued within 14

days that date is treated as the VAT tax point. As it is after December 31

Robins & Day

**PEUGEO** 

**PEUGEO** 

FROM PEUGEOT'S BIGGEST UK DEALER GROUP

Class IV only £29.99

www.robinsanddaycanterbury.co.uk

he Pavilion, Canterbur 01227 451791

Email: info@robinsanddaycanterbury.co.uk www.robinsanddaycanterbury.co.uk

Call 01233 811836

creating inspiration for your home or 01227 712514

## o know about change

On December 1, 2008, there was a lot of confusion when the standard rate of VAT was reduced from 17.5 per cent to 15 per cent. With the rate now due to revert to 17.5 per cent from January 1, 2010, ALAN BUCKETT, Head of VAT Services at Maidstone-based DSH Chartered Accountants and Business Advisors, explains the implications

VAT at 17.5 per cent is chargeable. This is unlikely to concern VAT registered customers who can reclaim VAT incurred on business expenditure in full and may be easier for suppliers who invoice within 14 days of supplying

But there are also optional 'change of rate' rules. In example 2, if the customer is VAT registered but is partly exempt, they cannot reclaim all the VAT. If the basic tax point is before January 1 the optional change of rate rules allow the supplier to charge VAT at 15 per cent even though its invoice is issued after December 31.

For services, the tax point depends on the type of service provided.

For a one-off service like repairing a burst pipe over two days, the basic tax point occurs on the day the service is completed. However, if invoicing and/or payment occur earlier, one of those dates, whichever is the earlier, overrides the basic tax point. Unregistered or partly exempt clients may prefer to be invoiced before January 1 for a service to be performed early next year in order to save VAT

For continuous services, like ongoing legal or accountancy advice which is billed periodically, there is no performance tax point, so invoicing and payment, whichever is the earlier, fixes the VAT tax point.

**Example 3:** A firm of lawyers provides ongoing legal advice to a VAT registered business which can reclaim all the VAT. It issues an invoice on February 1, 2010 for work carried out between November 1, 2009 and January 31, 2010. It charges VAT at 17.5 per

**Example 4:** Say the client in example 3 is a private individual. The optional change of rate rules allow the law firm to apportion the work done up to December 31 and charge 15 per cent VAT and then charge 17.5 per cent VAT on the remainder. Can your invoicing systems

#### Anti-avoidance

To prevent connected persons manipulating the change of rate rules, the Government has introduced anti-avoidance legislation. In practice the number of transactions likely to be affected may be minimal.

Essentially, if you answer yes to one or more of the following you should seek specialist advice:

- Is the value of the supply more than £100,000 (excluding VAT)?
- Are the supplier and customer 'connected'? • Is an advance invoice before January 1

not payable within six months?

 For prepayment arrangements is the supplier, or anyone connected to the supplier, financing the prepayment?

#### Other issues

The above is only a brief warning on some of the issues to be considered. Different businesses will be faced with specific issues, like those using cash accounting, the flat rate scheme, private fuel scale charges, etc. will need to consider the implications carefully.

Key points

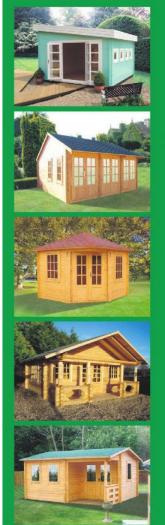
- Consider which of your customers are VAT registered and can reclaim all the VAT you charge them.
- How many of your customers can only recover part of the VAT you charge or none at all? Consider whether you can help these clients save VAT.
- Can your IT and invoicing systems cope with the basic, 14 day and optional change of rate tax point rules?
- · Seek specialist advice early. Remember that VAT rules depend on specific and detailed facts so you must provide full information.

For more information call 01622 690666 or e-mail alan.buckett@dsh.co.uk or fiona.ratcliff@dsh.co.uk.

#### Essential guide to where you can save

- Canterbury Hyundai motor dealer in Canterbury is offering £29.95 on MOTs
- Village Hotel, hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering this deal: buy two large glasses of wine and get the rest of the bottle free at the Victory pub
- Maidstone Kia motor dealer in Maidstone is offering a Lifeshine full car care for £299
- Oliver Carpets in Ramsgate, Herne Bay and Cliftonville is offering five per cent off when you spend over £250
- Secure Style, windows, doors and conservatories in Herne Bay is offering 30 per cent off windows and doors
- Lay Well flooring store in Sittingbourne is offering a free upgrade on underlay
- Cliftonvile tile centre in Cliftonville is offering free adhesive and grout on all tile orders over 15 metres
- Decorators Choice, supplier of paints an wallpapers in Canterbury, is offering 15 per cent off all paints
- Wells Clinic in Ashford is offering £50 off skin lifting and tightening. Lines and wrinkle reduction treatment
- Bourne Road motor dealer in Crayford is offering FREE car mats with all new Mazda purchases new and used
- Rustic Summer House Company Ltd in Bearstead Nr Maidstone is offering FREE delivery with the purchase of the summerhouse

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY TO ALL OFFERS





## Essential guide to where you can save

- Linwood Electronics in Rainham is offering you £100 off a Panasonic G10 series plasma when you trade in your old TV
- KOS is offering Pulsar Kinetic watches for only £49.99 (inc p&p) no battery required, saving over 50 per cent on RRP
- The White House hair and beauty salon in Deal is offering a free 10-minute Kerastase treatment
- Maidstone Kia motor dealer in Maidstone is offering MOTs for £45
- KOS is offering Sun Blaster Glare Shields from £14.99
- FG Barnes motors in Maidstone is ofering MOTs for only £39.99
- Bannatyne Health Club in Ashford is offering a brand new gym bag worth over £25 to all new members
- KOS is offering big button digital cordless phones for just £24.99, save £20
- SCG groundworks in Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off all building works
- KOS is offering goose down surround pillows from only £24.99 inc p&p, save up to £125 on RRP
- Secure Style windows, doors and conservatories in Herne Bay is offering 30 per cent off fascias
- KOS is offering Snugfit mattress topper from slumberdown from only £69.99, save up to £40. Various sizes available

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers

#### **BY JENNIFER EDWARDS**

THE European Parliament will debate the Consumer Rights Directive later this month, completing a review of consumer rights across the European Union which has already resulted in the Provision of Services Regulations 2009 and the Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008

The Directive aims to provide a uniform set of consumer rights across the EU by granting consumers a minimum level of contractual rights and remedies whilst retaining the general principles of contract law in each member state. Existing sector-specific legislation will prevail over the generic standards. The ultimate aim is to encourage consumers to buy goods across the EU.

Changes which favour UK consumers include: the right not to pay any additional charges not notified to them at the outset; a longer cooling-off period of 14 days; the right to a refund within seven days (currently 30 days) for late or non-delivery and the right to require a price reduction or refund in certain circumstances.

Changes which favour UK businesses include: the right, when a customer cancels the contract, to withhold reimbursement until the goods have been returned (currently, a refund within 30 days is required); the right to refuse a refund for minor defects and a reduction in the statuory liability period for defective goods from six years to two years (one year for second-hand goods).

Service providers looking to expand into the EEA (other than in sectors such as financial services, transport and healthcare) will benefit from a streamlined process when the Provision of Services Regulations 2009 come

## The changing landscape of consumer legislation



REVIEW: The European Parliament will debate the Consumer Rights Directive this month

into force at the end of next month. A single point of contact will be established in each country (for example, Business Link in the UK) to deal with enquiries and applications to trade in that country. Consumers will benefit from a single online advice service in each country. The Regulations encourage co-operation between regulatory bodies across the EEA, particularly in relation to businesses which pose a danger to the environment, public health and/or safety and introduce new sanctions. However, the Regulations also add to, rather than consolidate, the existing lists of information which businesses must provide to customers.

The Consumer Protection from Unfair

list of commercial practices which are unfair if they affect a consumer's decision and a blacklist of 31 banned practices. The Regulations apply to all consumer contracts but may also affect contracts between businesses which have a close connection with consumers - for example, a distribution agreement where the end-user is a consumer. The Regulations encourage the free-flow of information across the EU, particularly in relation to enforcement action. The OFT now has the right to request that its equivalent body in, say, France takes enforcement action against a French company which has breached the Regulations in relation to a consumer located in the UK. The OFT also has additional investigative powers and can, for example, inspect goods without a warrant.

Surprisingly, or perhaps as a result of the scale and nature of the changes, the OFT has stated that it wishes to encourage self-regulation where it is more appropriate than enforcement or intervention. To this end, the OFT has set up the Consumer Codes Approval Scheme and the Local Authority Assured Trader Scheme Network. In addition, the OFT will support industry-based schemes which require a higher standard of compliance than the legal minimum but will not give formal approval or guarantee a "safe harbour".

As with all new regulation, the hope is that the benefits will outweigh the additional administrative and legal burden, but it remains to be seen whether cross-border buying increases significantly as a result.

• Jennifer Edwards is from Thomson Snell & Passmore



onelife oneclub

## relax...unwinc rejuvenate

Join Bannatyne's Health Club today

Here at Bannatyne's Health Club we understand how stressful life can be.

At Bannatyne's we provide you with the perfect environment to unwind and de-stress. Indulge yourself in our café bar, treat yourself to a refreshing sunshower or relax in our gorgeous spa. You will be spoilt for choice.

Revitalize your life! Call us today for some fantastic joining offers.

join today and save up to £270!

Eureka Leisure Park, Ashford

01233 653700



Bannatyne's Health Club

\*Terms and conditions apply. Next 50 new members only. Facilities may differ slightly from club to club.





### **Furniture Island**

## ON THE ON

#### **DISCOUNT FURNITURE STORE**

Sofas • Suites • Dining • Bedroom • Bed • Chairs • Pictures • Mirrors

#### **Ashbury**

#### Ash Bedroom







**Savoire** 

Oak Lounge









#### Helen

#### Wickham







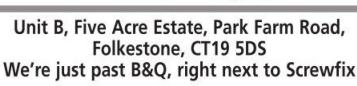




#### Chilham

#### **Vancouver**











#### **Opening Times:**

Mon - Sat 10am-5pmSun 10am-4pm **Telephone** 01303 246692

### Essential guide to where you can save

- Old Sawmills furniture store in Ashford is offering a mahogany computer desk was £995 now £495
- KOS is offering Swarovski Crystals Double Heart Pendant for £29.99
- ■True Grip leisure activity centre in Canterbury is offering a two hour off road Driving Experience Course, £75 with this voucher
- KOS is offering personalised Weekender bags for only £29.99
- Caffyns Vauxhall motor dealer in Tunbridge Wells is offering £250 off used vehicles when you present your voucher only at Caffyns Vauxhall Chevrolet
- KOS is offering Garden Sonic Blaster for only £29.99
- The White House hair and beauty salon in Deal is offering 30 per cent off colouring
- KOS is offering Zero Gravity recliner chairs from only £124.99
- Baileys Nissan motor dealer in Canterbury is offering 15 per cent off all servicing
- KOS is offering Sanderson Summer Breeze bedlinen. Save £50 on RRP
- Caffyns Vauxhall motor dealer in Tunbridge Wells is offering half price MOTs with a service
- KOS is offering Remington Titanium washable shaver for only £49.99 inc p&p save £50 off RRP

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers

## Can you make

ALTHOUGH Prime Minister Gordon Brown thinks next month's Copenhagen Climate Change Summit could save the planet, others are thinking more about the potential benefits from investing in the growing 'Green' agenda.

With National Ethical Investment Week ending on November 14, that concept has been to the fore. New figures show that the amount held in ethical funds – which invest only in companies deemed to help and protect the environment – has soared from £1.5 billion a decade ago to around £7b today.

The first ethical managed fund, F&C Asset Management's Stewardship Growth, celebrated its 25th anniversary this summer. It manages £2.4b of ethical investment in four funds.

Many people probably have part of their pension pots in leading ethical funds including Jupiter Ecology (market cap £307 million), BlackRock New Energy (£106m) and Schroders Global Climate Change Fund (£20m), which launched in 2007.

A special poll by YouGov, carried out for this week's campaign, reveals that 49 per cent of savers want to make a difference' – and make money – from ethical investments. The survey also found the 55-plus age group is keenest to back the green agenda, both when they save and when they spend.

But even with nearly 100 green and ethical funds to choose from, only 8 per cent of investors hold a green financial product.

"Investors are starting to see how they can

#### **By Jeremy Gates**

profit from the shift to a more sustainable world, as events like Copenhagen lift sustainability issues up the political and media agendas," says George Latham, head of socially responsible investment at fund manager Henderson New Star.

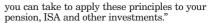
"There is growing interest from investors in themes that provide solutions to sustainability changes, including water management and education, alongside more traditional green investment themes such as cleaner energy and sustainable transport."

In theory, as green regulations force consumers to spend more on measures to cut energy bills, the case for long-term green investment — either in managed funds, or shares like waste specialists Biffa (now taken private) and Shanks — looks a no-brainer.

"Large numbers of people are putting their money where their mouth is and doing their bit to create a sustainable future," says Penny

Shepherd, chief executive of UKSIF, the sustainable investment and finance association promoting NEIW.

"There are simple steps



That's the theory. But finding successful ethical investments isn't always easy.

When M&S launched an Ethical Fund in 2007, I fixed a £75 monthly direct debit. Thirty months on, my holding is worth £200 less than the total paid in, so my cash would have done better in a building society.

Green shares are even harder to fathom: Newcastle-based Eaga is an obvious beneficiary in the fight against climate change, because it turns over £750m a year making homes more energy efficient to meet the Government target of cutting carbon emissions by 25 per cent by 2020.

As many bills for this work are paid by public-sector grants, Eaga looks pretty recessionproof. Yet its shares – which cost 181p each in

June 2007, when the company floated – changed hands this







## 2009 DAY TRIPS AND HOLIDAYS

Novem	ber	ADULT
Mon 30th	Maidstone & Newnham Court	£11.50
	Shopping Village	



Decem	ber	ADULT		
Sat 5th	Sat 5th Christmas at Heaven Farm			
	& Batemans			
Sun 6th	Frankfurt Christmas Markets	£34.00		
Mon 7th Afternoon Cite Europe		£13.00		
Thur 10th	London Christmas Lights & Sights	£16.00		
Sat 12th	Thursford Christmas Spectacular	£58.00		
Sun 13th	Lille Christmas Markets	£33.00		
Sat 19th	Christmas at Disneyland Paris	£60.50		
Sun 20th	Calais Christmas Markets	£19.50		

January ADULT				
Fri 8th	Westfield Shopping Centre	£14.00		
Sat 9th	Brighton Ice Show	£34.00		
Sun 17th	Brighton Ice Show	£34.00		
Wed 20th	Maidstone & Newnham Court	£7.50		
Sat 23rd	Brighton Ice Show	£34.00		

#### Birmingham Tattoo

Saturday 28th -Sunday 29th November

£97 Per Person, Bed & Breakfast

### Warners Bodelwyddan Castle

Monday 30th November Friday 4th December

£295 Per Person,
Half Board

Pick up's from Dover, Folkestone, Cheriton, Hythe and Ashford or park for free at our depot.

To book call **01303 272625** or visit **www.crosskeys.uk.com Crosskeys Business Park, Caesars Way, Folkestone, Kent CT19 4AL** 

money going green?

week at 143p. All 5,000 Eaga employees are shareholders, with other shares held mainly by big institutions

Andy Parsons at The Share Centre isn't surprised by this.

"All sorts of green ideas and environmental initiatives are discussed at top level," he says, "But you must remember that their impact on everyday life is still fairly limited.

"People are slowly changing their habits and their consumption patterns, but it is only when these changes become dramatic that you will see really significant growth in earning patterns flowing through to companies, and to the funds which invest in them.

Another recent problem for ethical funds is that they won't hold shares in oil, mining and tobacco companies - which have driven this year's rally on the London market.

Because investing in the green revolution is so complex, most people ask a specialist finan-

cial advisor to suggest a suitable fund. Recommendations by The Share Centre include: Allianz Global Eco trends, a £19m fund run by Bozena Jankowska focusing on alternative energy sources, energy efficiency and environmental quality; Jupiter Ecology; and Schroder Global Change.

At the F&C Stewardship International Fund, which delivered a 21 per cent return in the past year, fund manager Terry Coles attributes his recent success to the decision to expand ethical investing techniques beyond the "traditional stomping ground" of the US and Britain to fast-growing emerging markets, notably Asia and Latin America.

Impax is a smaller fund manager, holding £1.4b of investors' money, but its expertise in

the ethical sector is widely accepted. "The environmental sector offers better growth and returns than the mainstream economy and is therefore a smart place to allocate funds, whether you are ethically motivated or not," says Ian Simm, manager of the Impax Environmental Markets fund.

Impax has successfully identified fast-growing companies in renewable energy, water treatment, energy efficiency and environmental consultancy. One of its major investments is Vestas, a Danish maker of wind turbines.

In five years, Impax Environmental Markets Fund has turned £100 into £161. Last month, Impax raised £104.5m to launch a new Asian Environment Markets investment trust to tap the potential of the Asia-Pacific.

"The big difference is that in the last big recession in the early 1990s, companies focused on environmental operations were seen as a luxury which a struggling economy couldn't really afford," says Simm.
"Now environmental issues are at the centre

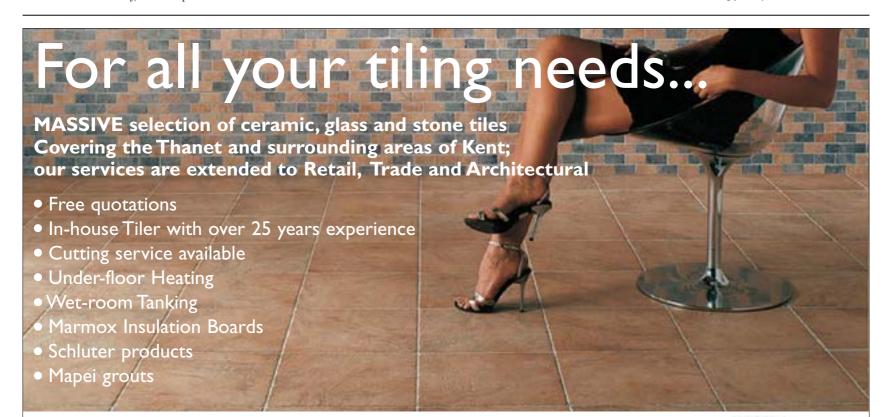
of fiscal stimulation policy, and how to get the economy kickstarted again in the next couple

of years.
"If Copenhagen achieved no agreement at all, it would be a negative signal to the energy efficiency business. I have little doubt some useful agreement will emerge in due course, if not within the first two days.

On past form, however, nobody invests in ethical funds for a quick profit, or high annual income. Mostly they pay minimal dividends, so investors must be convinced they will see a decent capital gain over the medium to long-term as new technology moves into the mainstream.



LONG TERM INVESTMENT: Green investments are increasingly an option for savers



#### **Opening Hours**

Monday to Friday: 08.30 till 5pm

• Saturday: 09.00 till 4pm • Sunday: Closed 187 Northdown Road, Cliftonville, Kent CT9 2PA

t: 01843 296603 f: 01843 296492 e: sales@cliftonvilletilecentre.co.uk



## Big bailout, but little change to services

As billions more pounds of taxpayers' cash has been pumped into Britain's ailing banks, holders of more than 40 million current accounts might hope that the management of their financial affairs is about to be transformed.

Surely, we must get something for all that money? As the Government stumps up another £33.5 billion, the bailout bill for Royal Bank of Scotland and Lloyds Banking Group soared to £76b - and the total 'bank rescue' bill hit £20,000 for every person in Britain.

In this latest deal, forced through by the European Union, about 1,000 bank branches could change hands, profitable insurance companies like Churchill and Direct Line must be sold by RBS – and ancient names could return, such as Williams and Glyn's Bank. Lloyds's hapless shareholders, who have lost

millions since the bank's disastrous 'rescue' of HBOS in autumn 2008, must stump up another £21b in the biggest rights issue of all time with no chance of a dividend before 2012.

Meanwhile, out of the wreckage could step Tesco Bank, and maybe a Virgin Money Bank too, if somebody finds the cash while Sir Richard Branson's team adds marketing fizz.

#### By **JEREMY GATES**

Their first target? Maybe the £2.65b charges on unauthorised overdrafts that the Office of Fair Trading thinks form too big a part of £8b profits made on current accounts each year.

Most bank customers, however, will see little immediate benefit from this upheaval, says Annie Shaw at CashQuestions.com.

"Customers of existing banks, whether under new ownership or not, are unlikely to see any change in the trend towards higher – if more transparent – charges, cautious lending and the gradual ending of free currentaccount banking," she says.

Kevin Mountford, head of banking at money supermarket.com, says more competition generally heralds a better deal for consumers, so new entrants to the market would be welcome.

But a moneysupermarket.com survey reveals only four per cent of consumers would trust a supermarket brand to look after their finances, and only 10 per cent would expect better service from a supermarket than a bank. Only a quarter said they would take out a credit card with a supermarket brand.

Mountford thinks the best thing to emerge could be a simpler, faster service when switching accounts: "The way you are shoehorned into an organisation that you don't like must be changed. We need a healthy switching environment which allows people to move freely.

"I think Tesco, which already offers a range of financial services, will do something soon. They might not wait for an asset sale, which could take three or four years to unfold.

"Any new entrants in the marketplace will have to do something which sets them apart, in product innovation or service standards maybe branches opening 8am-8pm.'

Andrew Hagger at Moneynet.co.uk believes fresh blood is needed in the banking sector, with simple well-priced products, to give customers better choices.

"Customers don't want to continually chase best-buy rates or have to try to figure out pitfalls hidden deep in terms and conditions of ever-more complex accounts," he says.

#### Innovation

"High Street banking giants have got used to having it their own way, and have got more complacent as competition has dwindled.

"Innovative new players who can balance shareholder and customer expectations have a window of opportunity to convince millions of consumers that they represent a credible banking alternative, one worth switching to."

Of course, nobody really knows how fast the

changes in retail banking will come along.

Meanwhile, savvy bank customers - particularly the two-thirds who stay in credit each month - can find better value accounts by sifting through those already available, mostly outside the banks in distress.

"Consider how you use your account – are you in credit or in the red? From there, you can

find a best buy," says Hagger.
Nationwide's Flexaccount, for example, has attractions for first-time buyers because Britain's biggest building society is offering 90 per cent mortgages to account holders. The Flexaccount debit card slashes the cost of purchases and cash withdrawals abroad, and is much cheaper than rivals, even after a one per cent charge outside Europe imposed this year. Hagger also tips Halifax Reward account as

a best buy for those in credit.

"There is a £5 credit paid in every month when you pay in a minimum £1,000, and no charges if you stay in the black," he says.

"Once in the red, you are clobbered: if your overdraft is under £2,500, the charge is £1 a day. Over £2,500, it's £2 a day and any unauthorised borrowing is £5 per day."

The theme runs through most best-buy accounts: millions who stay in the black accept a poorer service than they could find elsewhere, if they bothered to look.

### **FURNITURE WORLD** ere customer service comes first

### **Supplying Quality Furniture** in Hythe for over 14 years













Our aim is to offer the best possible prices, 52 weeks a year and will match any price within a 30 mile radius. Delivery is free as is removal of old furniture, we pride ourselves on our reputation and customer satisfaction

Family Owned. Furniture World

01303 239239

**Bank Street** 

We Are Here

High

ALDI

CAR PARK

Alstons













### Road tax gains not that great yet

Superminis like the cool Alfa Romeo MiTo are tempting says **STEVE** LOADER, but you need more than road tax and even fuel savings to justify chopping your old motor for one.

WHATEVER you do, don't tradein your car just to win back a few pounds a year on road tax.

If the car is reliable and not ridiculously thirsty then it is just not worth saving up to £185 a year on the maximum rate for a car registered before March 1, 2001, by downsizing to a newer, dearer lower emission model.

If it is a newer car then there is every chance you will take a major hit on depreciation that cannot be recouped by road tax and fuel benefits.

On the other hand, if you are making the decision for a number of reasons - lower insurance, more convenient size or body style, social conscience as well as cheaper tax and fuel bills – then maybe it is time to fall in with the Government's drive to tax 'gas guzzlers' off the road.

The tax penalties could have been worse, to be fair, if Chancellor Alistair Darling had not relented after seeing that the gloom of reces-



#### THINK ABOUT IT: There are more costs to a car than road tax for you to consider

sion might have sparked a roads revolt by hard-pressed motorists.

But Labour - and a Conservative government is unlikely to be different due to environmental worries - has said it will continue to drive down vehicle sizes and emissions by using tough VED (Vehicle Excise Duty) rates, based on CO2 emissions rather than fuel consumption and applying them to cars registered after 1 March 2001.

Inconsistent emissions data on older cars means these are taxed simply at £120/year up to 1,549cc and then £185 if larger – something of a bargain for owners of older 'gas guzzlers' if they can bear higher fuel bills or cover relatively fewer miles.

Alternatively, they can opt for a £1,500-2,000 LPG (liquid petroleum gas) conversion, which should then halve their fuel costs filling stations offering LPG have become increasingly common.

#### **Road tax bands**

(post March 1, 2001, cars)

Band A (0-100g/km of CO2) - £0 Bands B and C (101-120g/km) - £35 Bands D and E (121-140g/km) - £120 Band F (141-150g/km) - £125 Band G (151-160g/km) - £150 Bands H and I (161-180g/km) - £175 Bands J and K (181-225g/km) - £215 Band L (226-255g/km) - £405 Band M (255g/km plus) - £405





www.maidstonekia.co.uk



675 London Road, Ditton, Aylesford, Kent ME20 6DF Sales: 0845 166 7581 Service: 0845 166 7585 Parts: 0845 166 7588 (Calls may be recorded for training and quality control purposes)



FUEL CONSUMPTION FIGURES IN MPG (L/100KM) FOR THE CEE'D 5-DOOR ARE: URBAN: 34.0 (8.3) - 60.1 (4.7). EXTRA URBAN: 49.6 (5.7) - 72.4 (3.9). COMBINED: 42.8 (6.6) - 67.3 (4.2). OFFICIAL CO2 EMISSIONS ARE: 158 - 110 G/KM.





ECO DRIVE: Sharply-styled models like the Vauxhall Insignia ecoFLEX and Chevrolet Cruze will cut running costs, but being more savvy behind the wheel can protect your wallet too

## Drive smart – smart savings

BUYING a new car to save on tax, fuel, insurance and overall running costs must be just part of a motoring budget review.

The next stage involves smarter driving and journey planning and getting fitter by walking and cycling instead of using the car on short journeys – cold engines waste fuel and produce 60 per cent more emissions than warm ones.

Short hops also mean extra servicing and more engine wear. If you must drive, follow these tips from the Institute of Advanced Motorists and RAC Foundation:  Plan your route to save strain on car and driver. Take the most direct route – a sat nav can help – and go off peak if possible.
 Commuters should try car sharing, Park and Ride bus schemes or other public transport.

 Have your vehicle serviced regularly.
 Neglected engines waste at least ten per cent more fuel and catalytic converters only clean emissions when properly maintained.

 Check tyres – under-inflated ones need replacing more often (itself an environmental problem), are dangerous and waste fuel.
 Check pressures weekly.

 Obey speed limits to save money and stay legal. Feather the throttle as you reach cruis-

www.motorline.co.uk/renault

Direct Aftersales Booking Service

08700 112218

ing speed; 56mph uses 25 per cent less fuel than 70mph and a smoother driving style saves 'juice' too.

 Accelerate briskly without racing the engine; pulling away too fast uses up to 60 per cent more fuel. Intelligent gear changes at modest engine speeds can save up to 15 per cent in fuel.

 Remove roof racks and carriers when not in use and keep windows closed to avoid drag and wasted fuel. Remove unnecessary and heavy boot luggage and wide wheels and tyres that add rolling resistance. Air conditioning costs fuel too, so try to use the cabin fan and vents unassisted.  Buy green fuel and use less. Look for low sulphur 'city' diesel or cleaner petrol (low sulphur/aromatics). Consider converting to LPG (liquid petroleum gas) – it's half the price of petrol and cleaner.

 Think ahead – there is no point rushing and then having to brake suddenly.

 Be a tank miser. Why fill the tank to the brim and burn more fuel carrying more weight than necessary?

Stuck in traffic? Turn off the engine to save fuel and emissions.

 For more eco tips take a look at Julie Maddocks' online video report at: www.yourkenttv.co.uk/community.



## YOUR NEAREST

### MAIN DEALER HYUNDAI SERVICE

It's comforting to know that people who repair and maintain your car were trained by the people that built it. Whether it's a new or used Hyundai, we can help you to keep your car running smoothly - economically and efficiently.

- £29.95 MOT's while you wait
- Fixed priced servicing for older vehicles from £79.99
- FREE MOT with every major service
- Valeting from £12.99
- Air Conditioning £99 including Regas Deodorizer
- FREE prebookable courtesy Cars

PLUS
Leave us your car and we'll drop
you in Canterbury City Centre
to shop till you drop



#### Tel: 01227 783400

Canterbury Hyundai, Vauxhall Road, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1HD www.canterburyhyundai.co.uk



Parts & Servicing are open: Weekdays 8:00 - 6:00 & Saturday 8:30 - 12:30

## How best to save — buy a new car or bank the cash?

RECESSION-hit Brits are saving more despite weak interest rates, but is this sensible for those who need to run a car?

Might it be better to take advantage of near desperation discounts in the car show-rooms – especially in the trade's 'dead zone' either side of Christmas – and liberate low yield savings in search of one of the many new car bargains around the moment?

Even better, if you have a ten-year-old car costing a lot to run then you can still apply for the Government-sponsored £2,000 Scrappage grant. Against a small car, that two grand saving is a hefty discount, but the discounts on bigger models can be greater with or without a Scrappage banger to trade in.

or without a Scrappage banger to trade in.
Okay, a car costs thousands with or without the discount, but it will take years to earn four figure sums from banking at the rates offered now and for some time to come.

And you can make further savings after driving off the forecourt too by downsizing and opting for a model incurring lower road tax, fuel bills and other running costs.

Even if, after raiding the bank account and waving your 'wad' at the car salesman, your cash does not stretch to the discounted asking price, there are other deals that can be factored in, such as zero or low rate finance.

A generous warranty of up to seven years is also worth having. And be cheeky – ask for trimmings like a tank of fuel, car mats or



SAVING:
Chic,
eco-friendly
and wellpriced – the
Mazda2
mounts
a strong
savings
argument
against
leaving
your cash
in the bank

A GOOD

discounts on any add-ons you might fancy.

But do ensure you are not buying a car on 'run out', where production or importing ceased a while ago. Choose the engine carefully too; with fuel prices volatile, you don't want to trade one gas guzzler for another.

want to trade one gas guzzler for another.

Buy wisely and your new vehicle could save you a fortune, even on depreciation, though cars always devalue.

You can also afford to congratulate yourself for offloading something less efficient in favour of a modern, more eco-friendly model.

On the other hand, you might have lost tons already on that big 4x4, but do work out what it will cost you to run it for the next

three years – it might be a lot less than the cost of chopping it for a new car.

Road tax also favours downsizing – gas guzzlers face £950 a year road tax from next year – but it is still a relatively small part of the motoring budget for most of us.

Many superminis sit in the lowest tax band

Many superminis sit in the lowest tax band of £35 a year and though you might be tempted by tax-exempt diesel and hybrid models, check the price. The 'eco star' might save £105 in road tax over three years, but you will pay more upfront.

So, check out the conventional equivalents and don't dismiss petrol; it is still cheaper and makes sense for lower mileage users.

### Essential guide to where you can save

- Bourne Road motor dealer in Crayford is offering free tank of fuel with all Mazda purchases new and used
- Robins and Day motor dealer in Maidstone is offering MOTs for £29.99 and a service and MOT from £119.99
- Motorline Renault motor dealer in Canterbury, Ashford and Maidstone is offering £99 service and free MOT for vehicles three years and older
- Truegrip off-road fun in Canterbury is offering 15 minutes of karting for only £10
- UK Stone stone merchant in Hersden near Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off Sandstone and limestone list price
- Robins and Day motor dealer in Rochester is offering MOTs for £29.99 and a service and MOT from £119.99
- Chambers Motorcycles in Maidstone is offering a free lock when you purchase a bike instance.
- SCG groundworks in Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off landscaping
- FG Barnes Motors in Maidstone is offering half price MOT with full service
- Bannatyne Health Club in Ashford is offering memberships from as little as £29 a month
- UK Stone stone merchants in Hersden nr Canterbury is offering 10 per cent off sandstone spheres

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers

NISSAN



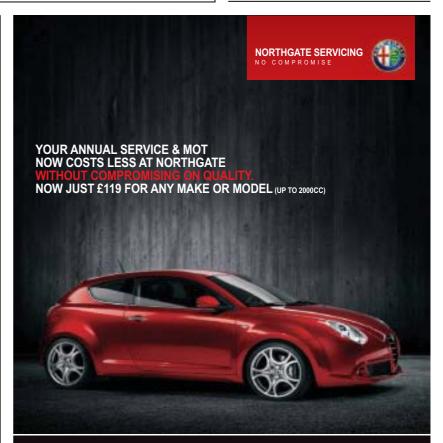
### CUTTING THE COST OF CAR CARE FOR ALL MAKES & ALL MODELS

- 1 FREE HEALTH CHECK
- **2** MOT's £29.95
- 3 Service & MOT £95 on all cars up to 2000cc

OFFER ENDS 30<sup>™</sup> DECEMBER 2009

CALL US ON 01227 766777
QUOTING THIS ADVERTISEMENT TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Baileys Nissan, Westminster Road, Vauxhall Industrial Estate, Canterbury CT1 1YY



#### **ALSO AVAILABLE FREE ANTI-FREEZE CHECK!**

NORTHGATE GARAGE NORTHGATE, CANTERBURY, KENT CT1 1FW 0800 4585189 www.northgatealfaromeo.co.uk



# Scrappage strikes all the right notes with car buyers

#### BY STEVE LOADER

AFTER a top up at the Labour Party Conference, the Government's £2,000-a-go Scrappage incentive should have enough gas in the tank to last the pace.

Enthusiasm was so great though, that the original £300 million fund set aside to last until March 2010 looked woefully inadequate until Business Secretary Lord Mandelson confirmed a further £150m would be added – enough to finance a further 100,000 deals on top of the 200,000 already signed.

The offer is that the donor car or van going to the crusher must have been registered before 31 August 1999 and the owner's name must have been on the V5 'logbook' for 12 months before the date he or she places their new car order.

Carmakers have mostly embraced the deal after initial disappointment that they would be expected to foot half of each '£2,000 Government Scrappage grant' and noting the Treasury would claw back some money through VAT on each car sale anyway.

Some brands have even put extra money on the table on top of their £1,000 per unit as well as extra specification and zero per cent finance—though this is not the greatest lure when interest rates are so low.

On the other hand, consumers with bank



SMALL SAVERS: Nissan's British-built Micra supermini has been a major beneficiary of the successful Government Scrappage scheme and the trend towards downsizing

savings know they are receiving precious little return and may be tempted by a psychological boost from buying a new motor that should be cheaper to fuel and tax.

And don't be despondent if you're not in a position to take advantage of Scrappage; with the exception of city cars and superminis, you should get a hefty discount on most new cars in the current climate without needing to have a banger to scrap.

If you have been out of the car market for a

while though, do your research; diesel cars now outsell petrol, but cost more and the extra weight can be wearing and intrusive in the smaller cars most in demand now and you must drive many miles to recover that extra upfront outlay. Meanwhile, petrol is making a comeback with lighter, small capacity turbocharged engines.

You might also consider a hybrid, but these cost more and this must also be weighed against the mileage you intend to cover.

### Essential guide to where you can save

- Northgate Alfa motor dealer in Canterbury is offering fixed-price servicing for cars three years plus. Silver Care Petrol or Diesel £139
- KOS is offering the Doro 338 GSM Big button mobile phone for £99.99
- Village Hotel hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering free loaded nachos worth £5.95 when you buy a bucket of six Mexican Sol beers from the Victory pub
- KOS is offering the Pulsar Military Style Chronograph Watch. Save £20. Offer price £49.99, RRP £69.99
- FG Barnes motors in Maidstone is offering £250 of accessories with Network Q purchases
- KOS is offering Peers Hardy leather handbag and free umbrella for £19.99
- Robins and Day motor dealer in Canterbury is offering MOTs for £29.99 and service and MOT from £119.99
- Truegrip off-road fun in Canterbury is offering 15 per cent off a 4X4 off-road driving experience
- KOS is offering solar powered bird baths. Save £30. Offer price £119.99 RRP, £149.99
- Village Hotel hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering a free day pass when you call into village leisure club and exchange your voucher available from www.vouchersforkent.co.uk

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers



#### BY STEVE LOADER

DOWNSIZING is the buzzword with cash-strapped UK car buyers so supermini sales are soaring, but what if you can't squeeze the family into one or you simply need more room?

The French have the answer in the form of cheap and capacious van-based MPVs.  $\,$ 

These might look like Postman Pat styled them and Bob the Builder did the road testing, but their origins are more to do with family needs in the vast rural hinterland across the Channel.

The simple format was to take a small van with sliding rear side doors and add seats and huge windows, creating an MPV thousands of pounds cheaper than a 'proper' people carrier.

pounds cheaper than a 'proper' people carrier. Being vans, they were also offered with tried and trusted – and economical – diesel engines

Having succeeded beyond their wildest dreams and frontiers though, French manufacturers have also gone a stage further and designed the current generation to handle far better than before.

The latest Peugeot Partner Tepee – also sold by Citroën as the Berlingo Multispace – is based on the company's 308 car, so there is less of a drunken sailor's gait on corners than its predecessor.

And Renault has just launched the second generation version of its hugely successful Kangoo – rhymes with 'can do' – also based on a car platform, in this case the marque's posh Scenic, so you get a chassis designed for the people carrier task at a much lower price.

Italy's Fiat has got in on the act and jointly builds a smaller van-based MPV version known as the Qubo, along with Peugeot (Bipper Tepee) and Citroën (Nemo Multispace) and even this has car-based underpinnings from its own Grande Punto supermini.

The immediate appeal of these cars is easy access to the box-shaped rear thanks to those

## The cross-Channel recession-busters



PREVIOUS LIFE: Peugeot's Partner Tepee, top, and the Renault Kangoo are just two of the many more affordable van-based people carriers to have started crossing the channel

sliding doors. Unlike many MPVs there is also still a massive boot behind the rear seats, which can usually be folded and arranged in various settings for maximum flexibility.

A big lift up tailgate doubles as a rain shelter or shade when picnicking or 'grandstanding' at events.

ing' at events.

The headroom is almost ridiculously lofty and you can buy many of these cars specc'd up with airliner-style overhead lockers, though the sporty often use this extra space for stowing fishing rods, skis, mountain bikes and other gear and, of course, a spot of removals for Aunt Gladys' new flat is no big deal – in another life, they were vans.



### Essential guide to where you can save

- Village Hotel, hotel and leisure club in Maidstone is offering a free bottle of house wine when you present your voucher at time of booking your office Christmas lunch before November 1 minimum table of four to qualify available from www.vouchersforkent.co.uk
- KOS is offering a porous seepage hose, so you can save time and money and use up to 70 per cent less water. From only £19.99, save £35 on RRP
- Northgate Alfa motor dealer in Canterbury is offering air conditioning services for £79.95, plus VAT
- KOS is offering Severin Electric BBQ. Save £30 on offer price of £149.99, RRP £179.99
- Baileys Nissan motor dealer in Canterbury is offering 15 per cent off MOTs
- Living Out log cabin store, Chestfield, Maidstone is offering 10 per cent off everything
- KOS is offering a £200 saving on the Toyota CB04T Mark II sewing machine, only £99.99 inc p&p, RRP £299.99
- Chambers Motorcycles in Maidstone is offering free oil filter when you have your bike serviced in the service department
- KOS is offering rechargable micro luggage scales £19.99
- KOS is ofering the Extreme bra for £24.99

To get these offers go to: www.vouchersforkent.co.uk terms and conditions apply to all offers



Official Government Test Environmental Data - Fuel Consumption Figures mpg (litres/100km): Corsa SXi Range: urban 35.3 (8.0) - 49.6 (5.7), extraurban 56.5 (5.0) - 74.3 (3.8), combined 46.3 (6.1) - 62.8 (4.5), CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 146 - 119 g/km.

History distance may false optionable of an extra court. In the register of the Court first the Court first interaction of the court in the court of the court of



• Oben 1 days a week • Open 7 days a week •

#### To search for shopping, services, leisure and entertainment log on @

### yourkenttv.co.uk









#### **IN STORE**

#### Branch out and get a real tree this Christmas

SPRUCE up your living room with a real, British-grown Christmas tree from Bedgebury National Pinetum and Forest.

From Saturday there will be a large selection available from the Walled Garden between 10am and 4pm, and a voucher for a free visit to Bedgebury will be given away with every tree. These will be entered into a prize draw to win a pair of Bedgebury concert tickets.

For more information, visit www. forestry.gov.uk/bedgebury.

#### Rick Stein is cooking things up at Bluewater

TELEVISION chef Rick Stein will be signing copies of his new book at Bluewater next week

Rick Stein's Far Eastern Odyssey (BBC Books, £25) accompanies his latest television series in which Stein took an epic culinary journey along rivers, through jungles and around coastlines to meet farmers and learn about the authentic foods of the Far East.

He will be at Waterstone's from 5pm on Monday. Call the store on 01322 624831.

#### County Square has got season all wrapped up

ANYONE who dreads the ordeal of wrapping Christmas gifts can find help at County Square shopping centre in Ashford.

Every Saturday until December 19, shoppers can take their purchases to the Santa's Little Helpers gift-wrapping team in the lower mall outside Debenhams.

The service is available between 10am and 4pm and all costs are donated to Demelza House children's hospice. Visit www.countysquareshoppingcentre.com.

#### Locally-produced soap is the natural choice

WAITROSE is cleaning up with natural handmade soaps from local company Fentons of Kent.

Company-founder Roz Burton is a former IT worker who set up the business just over a year ago, but her products have already become the first local soap to be stocked at her local Waitrose store.

If successful, they could be stocked in more stores. Made from completely natural ingredients, the soaps use Nature's own antibacterial and antiseptic plants.

#### Celebrity perfumes for those with money scents

BUY celebrity fragrances on a recessionfriendly budget with Lloydspharmacy's Christmas offers.

Many famous scents are reduced by more than 50 per cent at the stores, with Kylie's Darling EDT spray being slashed from £29 to just £12.

There are also bargains to be had on Glow by JLo, David Beckham Instinct and Anais Anais.

See the full range in your local store, or visit www.lloydspharmacy.com.

#### Thanet's Live Music Scene

Thursday 26th November

#### Shanlee Parker

The New Inn, 2 Delf Street, Sandwich 01304 612335

Friday 27th November

#### Lead Gremlin

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713

Saturday 28th November

#### **Eyelash Guilt**

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713

Saturday 28th November

#### As Is Now

Bradstow Mill, 125 High Street, Broadstairs 01843 861108

Tuesday 1st December

#### **Dave Paisley**

The New Inn, 2 Delf Street, Sandwich 01304 612335

Thursday 3rd December

#### On The Run

The New Inn, 2 Delf Street, Sandwich 01304 612335

Friday 4th December

#### Tortilla Army

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713

Saturday 5th December

#### **Breeds**

Bradstow Mill, 125 High Street, Broadstairs 01843 861108

Saturday 5th December

#### **Damage Case**

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713

Tuesday 8th December

#### **Roger Betts**

The New Inn, 2 Delf Street, Sandwich 01304 612335

Thursday 10th December

#### Shan Lee Parker

The New Inn, 2 Delf Street, Sandwich 01304 612335

Friday 11th December

#### Sabatage

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713

Saturday 12th December

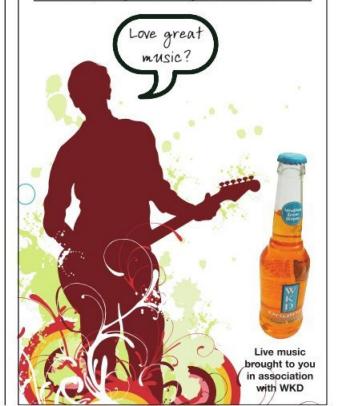
#### Situation Vacant

Bradstow Mill, 125 High Street, Broadstairs 01843 861108

Saturday 12th December

#### Suspects

The Red Lion, 1 King Street, Ramsgate 01843 586713



### yourthanettimeout

#### YOUR TV REVIEW

#### BY TOM BETTS

**DEFYING GRAVITY** BBC Two, 11.10pm, Saturday THE X FACTOR ITV 1, 8pm, Saturday

DEFYING Gravity, being shown on BBC Two on Saturday nights, is the latest TV trip into space.

Set 50 years in the future, it tells the tale of eight astronauts on a mission to Venus and other planets in the solar system.

It's an odd programme; the action continuously flips from the crew's current mission to five years before when they all began training. It's not exactly action-packed, either.

These space pioneers are not like trigger-happy warriors of Battlestar Galactica, but a load of self-obsessed naval-gazers.

If these people are what Nasa believes have the right stuff in 2058, they must have decided to use whinge-power as a way of travelling through the depths of outer space.

However, it does have some things going for it. The effects are good and the cast do a decent job of creating a sense of tension, but I can't help feeling that the series, like the characters, doesn't know where it's going.

Is it just a soap opera set in space, or an examination of man's need to explore, whatever the consequences?

It seems concerned mainly with the characters' relationships with each

other than with any high concepts. If I want to see that, I don't have to go to the moons of Saturn – I can pop down to Albert Square.

And so to another soap opera of sorts - The X Factor.

We're down to the business end of the competition now, with just a few weeks until we have to endure a turgid Christmas single, which will doubtless top the charts over yuletide.



**BORED-LY GOING:** Christina Cox stars in BBC Two's uninspiring sci-fi drama Defying Gravity

It's been an interesting year, if not one high on talent, but it really is impossible to escape this TV monster.

Even my mum, who is much more of a Strictly person, is aware of the 'Jedward' phenomenon, which has probably been the biggest talking point of the series.

I expect that Olly guy will win, as half the female population of this country seems to have fallen in love with him, but whether he has the talent to sustain a career in the mould of Leona Lewis is doubtful.

Stacey Soloman probably has a chance, too. She can hardly string a sentence together but, to be fair, the girl can belt out a tune.

However, I expect this year's winner will go the way of X Factor's previous winners like Steve Brookstein and Leon Jackson and become a household name, if only in their own household. Fame is a fickle business

#### YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19) YOU need to have a more realistic attitude about work. At some point you'll have to sacrifice your values in order to earn a living. If that means pretending to agree with a policy you

tell such people what you really think of their antics. • To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Aquarius 09067-531762

detest, so be it. Resist the urge to

TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21) CHARM won't get you very far with an exacting boss. If you want to get into their good books you need to work hard and stay disciplined. A tough work assignment could be entrusted to you. By bringing this project in under budget you'll put yourself in

line for a promotion.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Taurus 09067-531753

**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23) YOU may not get a lot of sympathy from family. Relatives could accuse you of being your own worst enemy - and maybe they're right. Instead of asking for help, try getting yourself out of trouble. Set a deadline by which to pay off debts. It sounds boring, but your respectability will soar. • To find out more about what the stars have in

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22) YOU may be giving people too much credit for being honest. Take some basic security precautions in order to protect your interests. Keep your personal information under lock and key to avoid identity theft, and install security systems to protect your home and car.

store call Russell on Leo 09067-531756

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Scorpio 09067-531759

PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20) YOU'RE too easily defeated when it comes to pursuing your dreams. If you encounter an obstacle, hang on and pray for help. It could come quite unexpectedly. Teaming up with a male colleague will help

knife through butter. • To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Pisces 09067-531763

you cut through work like a hot

GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22) YOU may lack the training to get the kind of job you want. Unfortunately, it may not be possible to get the type of qualifications you need right now. Your best bet is to capitalise on your creative talent. You could find some great clients through a

business or romantic partner.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Gemini 09067-531754

**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23) DON'T take your job for granted. You may not be able to get off work early or take the vacation time you wanted. Instead

of getting angry accept the verdict and do your best. These days, finding work is no small task. If you are unemployed, you might want to launch a home-based business.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Virgo 09067-531757

SAGITTARIUS (Nov23-Dec21)

MEAN what you say and say what you mean or people will accuse you of being a hypocrite. Youngsters are especially vulnerable to betrayal. If you go back on a promise it will be impossible to regain their trust. Your reputation could grow by leaps and bounds

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Sanittarius 09067-531760

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)
A TALENTED teacher could inspire you to further your education. Let a loved one relieve you of responsibilities while you pursue a cherished dream. Although you hate being beholden to anyone, there's noth-

ing wrong with accepting favours from your nearest and dearest. • To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Aries 09067-531752

CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

AN intimate relationship is showing signs of strain.

You feel as if you're doing all the giving, while your partner never returns the favour. It's time to adjust the balance of power. Your well-being is undergoing a radical improvement, mostly because your home life is so satisfying.

• To find out more about what the stars have in

store call Russell on Cancer 09067-531755



LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct23)

THE party is over, and the sooner you realise it the

better off you will be. Scale back on the fun and games so you can focus on work. If that means cancelling a date, so be it. Your attitude will win the confidence of customers who want to be treated with courtesy and respect.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Libra 09067-531758



CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20) DON'T overestimate your power to make money.

Although you haven't had much trouble earning cash, you need to put some away for a rainy day. Be ready to refuse a friend a loan or your relationship could be torn apart. Working behind the scenes will win your boss's approval.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Capricorn 09067-531761

Calls cost 75p per minute. Service provided by g8wave London N7

# Always dreamt of Deing a footballer? YOUR NAME

#### Personalised England **Magazine Cover**

Our England Magazine Cover is a superb gift for any occasion and is perfect for any fan anywhere in the country.

You choose the name of England's latest signing and their name is then printed on the front cover on the England shirt and in the two cover stories.

You can even select which number you want printed on the shirt making it an ideal birthday or anniversary gift.

Players' names will be modified on this product to reflect any changes.

Each Print comes ready to hang in a stylish black frame and measures 400mm x 340mm.

#### **England Dressing Room Photo**

Your selected surname will be merged onto the centre shirt to exactly match your team mates'

You can even select which number you want printed on the shirt making it an ideal birthday or anniversary gift. Each Print comes ready to hang in a stylish black frame and measures 400mm x 340mm.

Framed and despatched within 2 working days. Players' and managers' names will be modified on this product to reflect any changes.

#### Here's how it works!

1. Customer's place their order either call us on on 0844 8266644 and quote KOSMEDENG - We will then take the order over the telephone or

2. Complete a reader offer coupon below

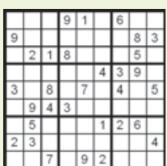
You will pay £29.99 and will receive 1 x England Dressing Room Print and 1 x England Magazine Cover.

How many	State name in capitals:	
Please send me: Dressing Room Print & England Magazine	I enclose a cheque payable to KOS Media offer for £29.99	
Card No:	or debit my Mastercard/Visa account by £29.99	
	Name: (please include title and initials)	
Valid from:		
Expiry Date:	Postcode: Tel No:	:
Issue No.	Kos Media, Applebarn, Hythe Road Smeeth Ashford Kent TN25 6SR	

#### CROSSWORD & SUDOKU No115

SPONSORED BY WATERSTONE'S

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9





3		6				4		
	Ц		8		5			6
		8					2	
8	7			3		2		9
				8				
6		2		9			4	8
	9					1		
2			3		9			
687		7				3		5

#### **CRYPTIC CLUES**

#### ACROSS

- 1 Digest overdrawn provided within city limits (6)
- 4 Interminable dispute's terribly silly (6)
- 10 Change of policy re change of direction (5-4)
- 11 Hardy's sarcasm! (5)
- 12 Set off in a rage? (7)
- 13 Unfamiliar mathematical quantity (7)
- 14 Taken to get out of another's way (7,6)
- 16 Linesman's justifiable departure from conventional order?
- 21 Replace bottle that contains inactive medical substance (7)
- 22 Stout man holds stout perhaps (4-3)
- 24 Mount 100ft? (5)
- 25 I name twelfth man available if required (2,7)
- 26 Daughter never wandered round US city (6)
- 27 Cross part of lengthy bridge (6)

#### **DOWN**

- 1 Cowardly, but caught black bird (6)
- 2 Duke sorry coming up for flag (5)
- **3** Foolish one turned out during endless commotion (7)
- **5** Ketch, it bumped into trees (7)
- 6 Of amoebae coming from tropical zoo, not one left (9)
- **7** Way of preserving food that's losing moisture (6)
- 8 Monarch's quainter voice trembled (5.8)
- **9** I cut repayment out for part of vehicle (9,4)
- 15 Olivia not troubled by crime (9)
- 17 Several times find Frenchman in a quiver (7)
- 18 Body of persons sent on undertaking to ambassador's office (7)
- 19 Saw cocaine included had been seasoned (6)
- 20 Reconciled a sin (6)
- 23 Panellist on trial (5)

#### **SCRIBBLE HERE**

#### **OUTCK CLUES**

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Jerky (6)
- 4 Itself (anaq.) (6)
- **10** Being (9)
- 11 Church cellar (5)
- 12 Bring vessel to a standstill (5,2)
- 13 Parasite (7)
- 14 Painful new experience (7,2,4)
- 16 Variegated seabird (9,4)
- **21** Carry out (7)
- **22** Submit (4.3) **24** Meadow (5)
- 25 Restaurant (9)
- 26 Explosive case (6) 27 Coming (6)

#### DOWN

- 1 Childcare facility (6)
- 2 board (5)
- **3** Uncomplaining (7)
- 5 Scold (4.3)
- 6 Poisonous toadstool (3,6)
- 7 Restaurant (6)
- 8 Unimportance (13) **9** Allowing to retire (10,3)
- 15 Wonder (9)
- 17 Arundel (anag.) (7)
- 18 Dedicated (7)
- 19 Reinforce (colloq.) (4,2)
- 20 Despot (6)
- 23 Sower (anag.) (5)

#### **CRYPTIC SOLUTION No114**

ACROSS: 8 Expurgate 9 Azure 10 At one time 11 Kneel 12 Charm offensive 15 Toby 17 Runny 19 Vein 21 Antarctic Ocean 23 Feral 24 Breakneck 26 Robin 27 As a result. **DOWN:** 1 Exotic 2 Quandary 3 Egg-timer 4 Sturn 5 Backing 6 Juvenile 7 Well-being 13 Fungi 14 Stratford 16 Bathrobe 18 Yeomanry 19 Viennese 20 Praline 22 Nicely 25 Rusk

#### **QUICK SOLUTION No115**

Beef up 20 Tyrant 23 Worse. 9I bətovəd 8I vəhnusı XI triansasın A 2I Eatery 8 Inconsequence 9 Pensioning off 26 Petard 27 Advent. **DOWN:** I Créche 2 Ouija 3 Patient 5 Tick off 6 Fly agaric 7 Execute 22 Give way 24 Field 25 Cafeteria Baptism of fire 16 Harlequin duck 21 11 Crypt 12 Heave to 13 Sponger 14 ACROSS: 1 Choppy 4 Stifle 10 Existence



For information and advice on travelling in Kent and for all our traffic regulation orders, please see the Kent on Saturday or the Kent on Sunday or visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/highways

#### **KOS MEDIA READER OFFER**

Save time, money, & use up to 70% less water Porous Seepage Hose from only £24.99 (inc p&p)



water supply to garden borders, fruit, vegetables, greenhouses and more, and can be used either on top of the soil or buried.

For more information call 0845 165 1004



7459 30m porous hose - £24.99

9926 60m porous hose - £39.99 SAVE £9.99

9927 90m porous hose - £49.99 SAVE £24.98



- Made from 100% recycled car tyre rubber Operates at low pressure from the mains
- Uses up to 70% less water than conventional hoses
- Can also be used with a water timer and irrigation system
- Standard set is 30m long, and comes in 2 x 15m lengths
- 60m set is made up of 4 x 15m lengths
- 90m set comprises 6 x 15m lengths
- The hoses can be used separately or joined (fittings included)

#### **KOS MEDIA READER OFFER**

### Brighten up your Bed

Sanderson Summer Breeze Bedlinen Internationally renowned for home textiles and interior design, Sanderson,

has created this fabulous bedding which is ideal for any home.

- Features a botanical design
- Brings a special lightness to your home
- Delicate movement of flowers and shadows caressed by a warming breeze
- Made from luxury, easy-care polycotton percale
  Features the floral print on the face and a faded polka dot print on the reverse
- Single set comes with one Oxford pillowcase; double, king and superking come with two
- 50% cotton and 50% polyester Machine washable

For more information call 0845 165 1004

7355 Single with one Oxford pillowcase 7356 Double with two Oxford pillowcases 7357 King with two Oxford pillowcases 7358 Superking with two Oxford pillowcases



£54.99 £79.99

£99.99

£20

£30

£34.99

£49.99

£59.99



#### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS **SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No114** EASY

5 4 9 5 4 7 1 7 9 5 4 2 6 9 5 4 3

Answers to all of this week's guizzes can be found on our website

2 5 9 1 8 6 4 3

8 4 9

7 4 8 9 4 8

HARD



## CLEAN YOUR HANDS

IT IS EVERYONE'S DUTY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF INFECTION





## opertyforkent.co.uk

#### **PROPERTY** NEWS

#### **Agents report 'strong** demand for property'

FOR every property on the market there are five potential buyers looking to buy it, new research has discovered.

A study by the National Association of Estate Agents found high-street branches had an average of 287 prospective buyers on their books in October

The average number of properties

available at estate agents was 57.

The high demand has bumped up prices slightly but has not translated into sales.

House prices increased 1.2 per cent in October, but estate agents sold an average 7.7 properties each during the month, down from 8.5 in September.

Gary Smith, NAEA president, said: "There is strong demand for property and more optimism in the housing market than we have seen for months.

"This is good news for the recovery of the market and for the British economy

First-time buyers accounted for 22 per cent of sales in October, down from 26 per cent in September, but more than double the proportion of first-time buyers in October 2008.

#### Family and boredom cause seven-year itch

PEOPLE who own their homes feel the need to move house every seven years, new research has discovered.

Co-operative Bank found the main reason people move house is to make room for a growing family.

Other popular reasons homeowners stated for moving house included living closer to work and homeowners getting bored of living in their current home.

One in six said the prospect of taking on new DIY projects was what motivated them to move house.

The survey also discovered gender differences, with women more likely to become bored with a property than men.

John Hughes, Co-operative Bank spokesman, said: "The research shows there are a wide range of motivations behind moving house as people take account of changing family and financial situations throughout their lifetimes.

He added that homeowners should carefully plan their move to ensure they

could afford a bigger property.
"It's important that people plan ahead, especially with regard to finances, to ensure they make the right choices and alleviate many of the pressures associated with the moving process," he said.



Property TV SPONSORED BY WWW.THEMORTGAGESHOP.CO.LIK

## House prices drop in pre-Christmas slump

BY NICK AMES

RESIDENTIAL property prices in the UK have fallen for the first time in three months, but there is still confidence in the market, say experts – and a spring surge is also predicted.

The Rightmove monthly index is the first for months to show a decline in property prices.

They are down 1.6 per cent between October and November, with the organisation saying that it believes a dash to sell before Christmas has prompted sellers to reduce prices.

It said the average house price fell from £230,184 in October to £226,440 in November. But house prices are still 1.6 per cent higher

than this time last year and this is the largest increase since a 2.2 per cent rise in May 2008. Rightmove is predicting further declines in

December and January, traditionally the slowest time of the year for the real estate market.

In all but the most buoyant of markets, home-moving comes second to Christmas festivities at this time of year on an annual basis.
"While the market has recovered from some

dreadful lows, this month's price fall proves that it doesn't have the strength to buck seasonal trends," said Miles Shipside, commercial director of Rightmove.

"We expect three months of asking-price falls before a tentative recovery in early spring, likely followed by pre-election jitters.

The index also shows that property stocks remained low, with 30 per cent fewer homes coming on to the market this month than at the same point in 2007, and mortgage availability is still hampering a recovery in the



**SEEDS OF GROWTH:** Despite a seasonal drop, experts are already predicting a house-price surge for spring 2010

Many would-be sellers are still unwilling or unable to come to the market and with the number of new-build properties running at half the levels required to satisfy anticipated demand, aspiring home-movers are set for a frustrating time for years to come, it says.

And overall, the picture is promising, with seven out of 10 regions showing prices are actually up on an annual basis.

The South East saw the largest increase in prices, with an average rise of 3.8 per cent driven by the lowest average stock levels per estate agent. The East Midlands was the worst performer, with prices 1.6 per cent below those of November 2008.

Rightmove has also found that the upcoming end to the stamp-duty holiday is not causing a flood of sellers or buyers to join the market.

Currently, properties between £125,000 and £175,000 are exempt from paying the 1 per cent levy, with the exemption coming to an end on December 31 this year.

### Lending future looks bright, say experts

THE Council of Mortgage Lenders (CML) has cut its forecast for the number of repossessions in 2009 to 48,000.

The estimate is substantially down on earlier forecasts of 75,000 in 2008 and 65,000 in June of this year, and the body says the improvement reflects "lender forbearance, Government measures and the beneficial effect of continuing low interest rates".

In further good news, CML figures show that at the end of September, 194,600 home loans -1.77 per cent of all UK residential mortgages - were in arrears of 2.5 per cent or more of the outstanding balance.

The result compares with 204,200 mortgages in arrears on the same basis at the end

of June, or 1.86 per cent of all mortgages.

In the three months to the end of September, 11,700 properties were repossessed by lenders, up slightly from 11,400 in the previous quarter, and showing a rise of 5 per cent on the third quarter of 2008.

Looking ahead, the CML is predicting that the number of housing transactions will reach 810,000 this year and 850,000 in 2010.

The council expects total net lending to be "modestly positive this year at £8 billion, revised from minus £5 billion previously, and  $\pounds 15$  billion next year". But repossessions could rise in 2010 to 53,000 or 0.48 per cent of outstanding mortgages.

Commenting on the latest arrears data and on the new forecasts, CML director general Michael Coogan said: "Borrowers should take heart from the latest findings as they reinforce the fact that lenders really do want to keep people in their homes - and are doing so.

"In terms of new lending next year, we expect a modest increase. But it is difficult to see the case for a dramatic upturn in the absence of significant improvement in the wider economic picture.'

#### YOU CAN DISCOVER HOW ONE ESTATE IN THE COUNTY IS BEING **REGENERATED. SEARCH 'STANHOPE'** propertyforkent.co.uk

### Amazing properties for sale in your area



#### Broadstairs £280,000

#### ONE OF THE MOST SOUGHT AFTER DEVELOPMENTS...

This first floor two double bedroom apartment is in the much sought after and highly regarded Charleston Court Development which is situated within metres of the promenade and Viking Bay. These apartments don't come up very often and when they do, they don't have a tendancy to hang around. Presented in immaculate condition throughout, viewing is essential.



#### Ramsgate £169,000

#### YOUR IDEAL RETIREMENT APARTMENT

This ground floor apartment is set in the grounds of a warden assissted development in the heart of Ramsgate. Offered to the market with NO FORWARD CHAIN this apartment comprises two double bedrooms, lounge / diner, kitchen, bathroom, outside patio area and there is the added benefit of use of communal lounge, kitchen, laundry room, visitors flat and communal aar park.



#### Westgate-on-sea £145,000

#### THREE BEDROOM FAMILY HOME!

This family home is situated in a popular residential area of Westgate and offers generous size living accommodation arranged over two floors and comprises of a 13' 8" Lounge, 13' 4" kitchen / diner, well appointed family bathroom and three bedrooms. This property also benefits from a approximately 60' landscaped rear garden, gas central heating and double glazing.



#### Cliftonville £240,000

#### THE FAMILY HOME YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR

This well presented detached family home is situated in the ever popular Palm Bay area. This delightful property offers generous sized living accommodation comprising four double bedrooms, 20' 2" lounge, second reception, conservatory, fitted kitchen, downstairs wc, integral garage, family bathroom, separate wc and both front and rear garden with off street parking.



#### Broadstairs £192,500

#### YOUR PERFECT NEXT STEP UP

This semi deatched house is offered to the market with no forward chain. An ideal family home this property comprises three bedrooms, family bathroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen / breakfast room, pretty and secluded rear gardens with a workshop. This well presented home is located within easy reach of local schools, Broadstairs High Street and the train station.



#### Broadstairs £180,000

#### YOUR PERFECT HOME

This delightful end terrace town house is situated in the tucked away courtyard development of the highly regarded Stone House in Broadstairs. An ideal holiday home, this property comprises two bedrooms, family bathroom, lounge, dining hall, kitchen, garage and manicured communal gardens. This property is situated within easy reach of the sandy beaches at Joss and Stone bay.



#### Westgate-On-Sea £190,000

#### REFURBISHED FOUR BEDROOM MID TEARRACE HOME

This recently refurbished four bedroom mid terrace property is conveniently located within close proximity of Westgate's canopied shops, transport links and sandy beaches. The spacious and immaculately presented accommodation of this home comprises four bedrooms, lounge, dinning room, fitted kitchen with utility area, well appointed family bathroom, garage and rear garden.



#### Westgate-on-Sea £96,995

#### LOOKING FOR CENTRAL WESTGATE...LOOK NO FURTHER

This apartment is situated in central Westgate within only 500 yard radius of the beach, local shops, train station and amenities. This properly does require some updating but offers generous size living accommodation including lounge/diner, two bedrooms, kitchen and bathroom. Benefits of this home also include security phone entry system and off street parking.



#### Broadstairs £300,000

#### THE PERFECT FAMILY HOME

This detached house is situated in one of Broadstairs' most sought after locations, a quiet cul-de-sac just off Park Avenue. An ideal family home, this property offers spacious accomodation over two floors and comprises four bedrooms, family bathroom, downstairs cloakroom, lounge, dining room, sun room, kitchen, conservatory, pretty and secluded rear gardens and a garage.



#### Ramsgate £99,500

#### SPACIOUS SEAFRONT LIVING

An opportunity for you to acquire a spacious lower ground floor garden flat located within the historic Grade II Listed seafront Georgian terrace of Wellington Crescent. This flat with its own private entrance and rear courtyard garden has recently been refurbished to include a newly fitted kitchen/diner and also benefits from brand new carpets and floor coverings throughout.



#### Westgate-On-Sea £260,000

#### YES, SIX DOUBLE BEDROOMS....

This six double bedroom terraced house is conveniently located in the heart of Westgate-on-Sea and is offered to the market with no forward chain. An ideal family home, this property is extremely well presented and comprises six double bedrooms, family bothroom, lounge and dining room, 24' kitchen / diner and pretty rear gardens. A great family home.



#### **Westbrook £550,000**

#### WAKE UP TO THE SOUND OF THE SEA....

Located directly on the seafront in a commanding position on Royal Esplanade, this sea facing home comprises four double bedrooms, ensuite, bathroom, shower room, a principle lounge & dining room, a bespoke kitchen and a conservatory of magnificent proportions with a salt water swimming pool, jacuzzi, entertaining / dining area, kitchenette, shower room and cloakroom.



#### Call Now to arrange your viewing:-

Broadstairs 01843 866866 Westgate 01843 834455 Land & New Homes 01843 603666 www.terencepainter.co.uk



### Stair free & care free homes









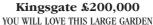


Broadstairs £360,000

#### WHEN LOCATION IS REALLY IMPORTANT..

This large detached bungalow is tucked away at the end of a private driveway and is located in a much sought after location in Broadstairs, just off of South Cliff Parade Seafront. Poised on a substantial plot, this residence offers versatile living accommodation along with large gardens surrounding the property and a triple pitched roof detached garage. There is so much scope with this property and we feel that this bungalow has the potential to be extended if desired, subject to the necessary planning consents. Offered with vacant possession, adding to its desireability.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 01843 866866.



A well presented semi detached bungalow which is situated in the much sought after Botany Road in Kingsgate and located within easy reach of Botany Bay and the clifftop walks. In our opinion, this bungalow is in good decorative order throughout and benefits include two double bedrooms, lounge, kitchen, bathroom, conservatory, detached garage, ample off road parking and well manicured 130' rear garden. This bungalow has the scope to extend further (subject to planning consent). Viewing is highly recommended via the agent to appreciate what is on offer.

CALL US NOW TO ARRANGE YOUR VIEWING ON 01843 866866.













Broadstairs £325,000

#### A FEW MINUTES TO THE SEAFRONT...

A rew MINULES TO THE SEARCH.

A very desirable and spacious detached bungalow situated in the highly regarded Stone Road area of Broadstairs. Offering some sea views to the rear, this lovely property has light, airy and spacious accommodation comprising three double bedrooms, bathroom and ensuite, lounge, dining room, kitchen / diner, conservatory, attractive gardens, driveway and garage. With the added benefit of a great location, no chain and within a short distone to the High Street and transport links viewing is essential to appreciate this lovely property. TO VIEW, CALL 01843 866866

Margate £160,000

THE PERFECT BUNGALOW FOR YOU!

This detached bungalow is located in a secluded location in Margate and is offered to the market with no forward chain. This property comprises two bedrooms, lounge / diner, fitted kitchen, bathroom, garden and block paved access with integrated outside lighting. The bungalow is ideally situated within easy reach of Margate High Street with its selection of shops, bars and restourants and the sandy beach at Margate Bay. This property has the addee benefit of being stamp duy exempt and viewing is highly recommended in order to appreciate what is on offer.

CALL TODAY TO VIEW ON 01843 834455.













Westgate-On-Sea £235,000

#### AS PRETTY AS A PICTURE!....

This detached three bedroom bungalow in situated on a corner plot in a sought after area of Westgate-on-Sea being central to the canopied shopping parade, transport links and sandy beaches. Offered to the market with vacant possession, this lovely property is definitely worth looking at and comprises three bedrooms, lounge, study, newly fitted kitchen and bathroom, pretty gardens and a detached garage. An ideal family home or retirement bunglaow, this property has been well maintained by the current owners.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL US ON 01843 834455



#### DETACHED BUNGALOW IN CENTRAL WESTGATE-ON-SEA!

This attractive detached two bedroom bungalow is situated in one of Westgate-on-Sea's most desirable locations, within close proximity to the local shops, train station and sandy beaches. The generous accommodation of this home comprises of a lounge / diner, kitchen / breakfast room, conservatory, two double bedrooms, well appointed bathroom and separate wc. Benefits of this home also include well maintained front and rear gardens, garage and off street parking. Viewing is highly recommended via the agent in order to appreciate what is on offer.

CALL US NOW ON 01843 834455.



#### Call Now to arrange your viewing:-

Broadstairs 01843 866866 Westgate 01843 834455 Land & New Homes 01843 603666 www.terencepainter.co.uk



**Property Services** 

### Thanet's newest and fastest growing Estate Agent



Westbrook £650,000

Detached Thatched Roof House, Additional Two Bedroom Annexe, Double Garage, Original Character Features, Close To Local Amenities.



**Ramsgate £475,000** 

End Terrace Georgian House, Royal Harbour And Sea Views, Garage Plus Parking Space, Five Bedrooms (Potential For Seven), Close To All Main Amenities.



**Broadstairs £415,000** 

Detached Residence, Seven Bedrooms, Popular Location Off Street Parking, Enclosed Garden To Rear.



**Broadstairs £389,995** 

Village Location, Four Bedrooms, Detached Bungalow, 23ft lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Off Street Parking.



**Broadstairs £350,000** 

Detached Bungalow, Three Bedrooms, Immaculate Order Throughout, Off Street Parking, Highly Desirable Location, Fully Fitted Kitchen.



**Broadstairs £349,500** 

Semi Detached House, Four Bedrooms, En Suite Facilities, Off Street Parking, Central Broadstairs Location, Versatile Accommodation.



**Broadstairs £305,000** 

Semi Detached House, Chessboard Location, Three Bedrooms, Two Reception Rooms, Off Street Parking, Character Features, Distant Sea Views.



Cliffsend £289.000

Detached House, Three Bedrooms, Sought After Location. Ground Floor Extension, Off Street Parking.



**Ramsgate £275.000** 

Detached Bungalow, Four Bedrooms, Secluded Gardens Tandem Garage, Bathroom + Shower Room, Desirable Location, Off Street Parking.





**Sandwich £270.000** 

Detached House, Four Bedrooms, Open Farmland Views, Garage Plus Driveway, Conservatory, Quiet Cul-De-Sac Location



**Broadstairs £249.995** 

Detached House, Three Bedrooms, Within School Catchments, Close To Railway Station, No Onwards Chain, Highly Sought After Location.



**Ramsgate £235,000** 

Terraced House, Five Bedrooms, Bathroom + Showel Room, Popular Location, Deceptively Spacious, Easy Reach Of Main Town Centre.



Minster £185.000

Semi Detached Bungalow, Three Bedrooms, Off Street Parking, Cul-De-Sac Location, Gardens To Front And Rear



Margate £174.995

Double Storey Extended Home, Semi Detached, Three Bedrooms, Garage Plus Driveway, Convenient Location, Must Be Viewed, Close To QEQM.



**Ramsgate £177,500** 

Unique End Terraced House, Four Bedrooms, Two Reception Rooms, Character Features, Convenient Location, Close To Local Amenities



Birchington £164,995

Semi Detached Bungalow, Two Bedrooms, No Onwards Chain, Quiet Cul-De-Sac Location, Gardens To Front & Rear, Garage Plus Driveway.



**Ramsgate £174,995** 

Detached House, Three Bedrooms, Tandem Double Garage, Gardens To Front & Rear, No Onwards Chain, Convenient Location



**Broadstairs £129,950** 

First Floor Flat, Two Bedrooms, Fitted Kitchen, New Bathroom Suite, Private Garden To Rear, Excellent Order

We don't just promise, we deliver

rightmove coulk

01843 600666 | www.tmspropertyservices.co.uk

Sutherland House | Nelson Place | Broadstairs | Kent CT10 1HQ

## Ward & Partners

To view all our homes: wardandpartners.co.uk



Broadstairs | Price Range £300,000-£340,000

- Period 1930's 3 Bedroom Detached House
- Off Road Parking, central heating
- Conservatory and Utility Room

BROADSTAIRS OFFICE L01843 602546



Cliftonville I Price Range: £220,000-£250,000

- Spacious 4 Bedroom Chalet Style Family Home
- Approx 1/2 Mile From Sea
- Secluded South Facing Rear Garden

CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE L01843 227447



Palm Bay | Price Range: £220,000-£240,000

- Close to Cliff top walks
- Garden, balcony & 2 receptions

CLIFTONVILLE OFFICE L01843 227447



Ramsgate | Price Range: £215,000-£235,000

- 3 Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Central Heating, Double Glazing, Garage
- Driveway Garden

RAMSGATE OFFICE L01843 580314



## Why pay for a HIP upfront?

With us, you pay NOTHING

until your house sells!\*

\*Or is withdrawn from the market or 9 months after instruction, whichever is sooner.



Minster | Price Range: £200,000-£230,000

- 3 bedroom detached, 2 reception rooms
- Double glazed windows, garage
- · Downstairs wc, ensuite to bedroom BIRCHINGTON OFFICE I 01843 842551



Birchington | Price Range: £200,000-£230,000

- Extended four bedroom chalet bungalow
- Modern kitchen & bathroom
- · Rear garden & timber summer house **BIRCHINGTON OFFICE I 01843 842551**



Ramsgate | Price Range: £185,000-£205,000

- · Well Presented Two Bedroom Bungalow
- · Popular Pegwell Village Location
- · Parking, Gardens & Conservatory RAMSGATE OFFICE I 01843 580314



Broadstairs | Price Range: £180,000-£210,000

- 2 Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
- · No Forward Chain, Near to the Sea
- Popular Location

BROADSTAIRS OFFICE I 01843 602546



Ramsgate | Price Range: £175,000-£195,000

- Re-decorated 2 Bedroom Bungalow



Birchington: 01843 842551 Cliftonville: 01843 227447

Broadstairs: 01843 602546

Ramsgate: 01843 580314 **LETTINGS: 01843 597600** 



Popular Nethercourt Hill Location

- · Large Conservatory-No Onward Chain
- RAMSGATE OFFICE I 01843 580314

## **es**&

owner2owner solution









- Boasts A Wealth Of Character
- 6 Bedroom Detached
- Sought After Location



- Large Detached BungalowRural Views
- No Chain



- Modernised 2 Bed Apartment
- Sought-After Location !!
- Partial Sea Views !!



- Five Bedrooms
- Two Receptions Rooms
- Popular Location



- 4 Bed Detached, En-Suite
- Large Family Conservatory Prime Broadstairs Location



- Detached Victorian Home 4/5 Bedrooms With Annexe



1 Bedroom Retirement Flat

No Chain Involved

Ground Floor



- Grade li Listed Home
- 4 Bedrooms Central Town Location



Extended 3 Bed Semi

- Off Street Parking2 Receps Plus Kitchen/Diner





our sales are up



- 1930's Style 3 Bed Semi2 Receptions & Conserva 2 Receptions & Conservatory
- Southwood Location



 Sought After Cul-De-Sac Setting Open Sea Views Over Epple Bay Rarely Available Home



Panoramic Sea Views4 Bed, 3 Receptions, 180' PlotNo Chain!









- High Standard Detached
- 3 Beds 2 bathrooms Conservatory



3 Bed Chalet In A Quiet Cul De SacLarge Gardens



Purpose Built Retirement Flat

Two Double Bedrooms

- 2 Bedroom, Basement Flat
- No Forward Chain !!



BIRCHINGTON

No Forward Chain

Access To Gardens

£90.000

Period Detached House

Located Close To Local Schools



Two Bed Cottage

Heart Of The Village Garage & No Chain

 4/5 Bedroom Period Home Immaculate Throughout

Off Street Parking



Stunning Ground Floor Flat

Heart Of The Village, 2 BedsLarge Gds + Osp

Sea Views

Modernised Throughout



£134.995

- - Five Bedrooms Highly Sought After Location Rear Garden In Excess Of 120













Two Bedrooms

No Chair













## **es**&

owner2owner solution









- Three Double Bed Detached Cottage 100ft Rear Gardens
- Deceptively Spacious



- 7 Beds. 4 Receptions
- Fully Refurbished
- Modern & Contemporary



- **BROADSTAIRS** £224,995
- Rarely Available 2 Beds. Good Size Rooms
- Low Maintenance Gardens



- North Foreland 4/5 Bed
- Balconv/Sea Views
- Modern Contemporary Family Home



- 3 Double Bedrooms.25' Lounge/Diner, Conservatory
- Gardens And Garage



- 1 Bedroom Maisonette
- Spacious Livig Areas Private Entrance



- £194.995 Extended Semi-Detached Home
- 3 Bedrooms, 2 Receptions Excellent Internal Condition



Detached Corner Plot Bungalow Garage, Conservatory & Gardens Good Order Throughout & No Chain



- Deceptive Two Double Bedrooms Quiet Location
- Good Decorative Order Throughout





- Three Bedroom HomeYards From Shops, Bea Yards From Shops, Beach &
- Train Station, Chain Free!



- Spacious Two Bed Bungalow Garage With Further Osp Excellent Condition



- Freehold Commercial PremisesSpacious 2 Bedroom ApartmentOver, Vacant Posession



- Stunning 5 Bed DetachedSought After Location
- Immaculate Throughout



3 Bedroom Townhouse Kitchen/Breakfast Room



- 2 Bed, Purpose Built Flat
- Ideal Btl
   No Forward Chain



Good Size Rear Garden !! No Forward Chain !!



- MARGATE
- £124.995 Spacious 3 Bed Home
- Recently Modernised Throughout
   Popular Residential Area







- Cul De Sac Location! 2 Beds, Garage, O/S/P Well Presented

Sudg, Gfch & Osp



- A Real Tardis!
- 3 Good Size Bedrooms Rarely Available

No Chain Ahead



- Large 4 Bed SemiOn The Westcliff! Large Garden



3/4 Bed DetachedSuperb Gardens

Must Be Seen!



Three Bedroom Maisonette Versatile & Spacious Accommodation



- Substantial & Versatile HomeDetached, 6 Bedrooms Heated Indoor Swimming Pool







Three Bedroom Semi & GarageNo Forward ChainWestbrook Location











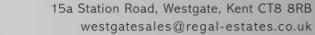


Extended, Sudg, Gfch & Osp

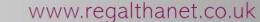




#### We work harder.



Westgate 0845 3703046





#### Westbrook £265,000

- · 4 Bedroom Semi Detached House

- 2 Seperate Reception Rooms
   Modern Kitchen & Bathroom
   Approximate 200ft rear garden



#### Westgate £149,995

- 3 Bedroom End Of Terrace
   2 Separate Reception Rooms
   Approx 95ft Rear Garden
- . Very Well Presented



#### Westgate £265,000

- 6 Bedroom Terrace House
   2 Reception Rooms
- · Contemporary Kitchen Superb Decorative Order



#### Margate £125,000

- Spacious 2 Bedroom House
   DG Windows & GFCH
- Long Garden / Parking to Rear
   Vacant Possession



#### Westgate £149,950

- 2 Double Bedroom 1st Floor Apartment
   Ensuite & Bathroom
   Gated Entrance & Allocated Parking
   Excellent Order Throughout



#### Westgate £139,995

- 1 Bedroom Apartment
   Purpose Built & Self Contained
   Garage & Balcony
   St Augustines Park



#### Garlinge £174,995

- 2 Bedroom Detached House
   Approx 3/4 of an Acre of Land
   Private Parking

- . Needs Updating



#### Birchington £169,950

- 2 Bedroom Bungalow
   Conservatory
   South Facing Garden & Off Road Parking
   Lovely Cul De Sac Location



#### Broadstairs £174,950

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached House
   2 Reception Rooms & Conservatory
- Garden & Garage
   Planning Approved For Fourth Bedroom & Ensuite



#### Birchington £430,000

- · 4 Bed Detached House
- 2/3 Reception Rooms
- An Abundance of Character
   Highly Sought After Location



#### Ramsgate £174,950

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached House
   Rear Garden Approx 125 ft

- Driveway For 3 Cars
   No Forward Chain



#### Westgate £174,995

- Brand New House
   3 Bedroom End of Terrace
   Parking & Garden
   Incentive for Early Exchange



#### Westbrook £155,000

- 2 Double Bedroom 1st Floor Flat
  Balcony & Garage
- Stunning Sea Views
- . In Need of Updating



#### Westgate £129,995

- Ground Floor Apartment
- 2 Bedrooms
   100 Meters From Beach
- Completely Refurbished



#### Broadstairs £345.000

- · 4 Bedroom Detached House
- 2 Reception Rooms & Large Conservatory
- Kitchen & Utility Room
   Garage & Off-Road Parking



#### Westgate £220,000

- Detached Chalet Bungalow
   3 Double Bedrooms
- Garden & Garage
   Quiet Cul-De-Sac Location



#### Broadstairs £185,000

- Two Double Bedroom
- Beautifully Refurbished
   Reading Street Area
- · Tenant Available

#### Broadstairs £239,995

- 4 Bedroom Serni Detached House
   2 Reception Rooms & Conservatory
   Approx 110ft Rear Garden & Tandem Garage · Highly Sought After Location

#### Westbrook £174,950

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached House
   Ground Floor Extension
- Approx 75ft South Facing Garden
   Quiet Cul-De-Sac Location



#### Westgate £164,950

- 2 Double Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- Off-Road Parking & Communal Garden
   Overlooking the Garden & Sea
   Vacant Possession

## Worried about not finding your next home ...?



The local agent with a national presence!



01843 221133 Margate 01843 842233 Birchington 01227 749944 Heme Bay 01843 222700 Lettings



### YOUR MOVE

The UK's most visited estate agency website\*

www.your-move.co.uk

#### **RAMSGATE**

#### £249,950



ramsgate@vour-move.co.uk

- Four Bedroom Family Home Cul De Sac Location • Family Bathroom • Lounge • Kitchen
- Garage Plus Driveway Downstairs Shower Room
  - A Must For Viewings

#### **SALES**



• Detached House • Cul De Sac Integral Garage
 Off Street Parking



• End Of Terrace • 3 Double



tairs@your-move.co.uk 0845 370 9715 · Semi Detached House · Five



• Two Bedrooms • Kitchen Breakfast Room • Gas Central Heating

ST. PETERS

£142.500

rs@vour-move.co.uk 0845 370 9715 • 2 Bedroom • End Terrace Cottage



adstairs@your-move.co.uk 0845 370 9715 • Semi Detached House • Cul De Sac Location • Gas Central Heating

£105,000



Istairs@vour-move.co.uk 0845 370 9715 Three Bedroom Detached



• Set In A Cul De Sac • Westwood

### Move before Christmas and beat the stamp duty deadline.

The stamp duty holiday on properties below £175,000 ends on 31 December. After that stamp duty is due on properties over £125,000, starting at 1%. You could save up to £1750 if you make your move now\*.

#### **Contact your local branch**



## BROADSTAIRS

• Detached House • Four Bedrooms



• Split Level • Two Bedrooms • Self Contained • Central Location



Bedrooms • Vaulted Lounge



 Detached Bungalow
 Sought After Location • Two Bedrooms • Lounge



ve.co.uk 0845 370 9716 Maisonette • Two Redrooms



Detached Bungalow • Three
Bedrooms • L Shaped Lounge/Diner



Purpose Built Flat • Two Bedroom



Bungalow • Two Bedrooms
 Refurbished • Corner Plot





Semi Detached Bungalow • Two Bedrooms • Two Receptions

our-move coluk 0845 370 9716

• Three Bedroom Detached • Two

£249,950







• Top Floor Flat • Two Bedrooms Lounge • Modern Fitted Kitchen

our-move co.uk 0845 370 971

Three Bedroom Detached

£239.950

CLIFFSEND







OPENGATE ESTATES

**Property Sales** 

Management

Lettings



58 STATION ROAD, WESTGATE ON SEA KENT CT8 8QY

#### TINGS



25 Athlestan Rd £350 pcm One bedroom flat, upper ground floor 25 Athlestan Rd £300 pcm Studio flat, lower ground floor, own



18 Granville Rd - flat 7, Broadstairs – £450 pcm second floor, one bedroom, GCH, parking space and shared garden to the back of the property



2 The Vale - Broadstairs -£450 pcm lower ground floor, one bedroom, just

refurbished one bedroom flat, GCH, new DG windows



29 Surry Rd - Cliftonville £475 pcm

Top floor two bedroom flat nicely



17 Edgar Rd - Cliftonville -£575 pcm

Top floor 2/3 bedroom flat, finished to a high standard, two double en-suite bedrooms, one single

NAJWIEKSZY WYBOR 1 i 2 BEDROOM FLATS - DEPOZYT I REFERENCJE WYMAGANE, PRACUJACYM - ZADZWON!!!



Edgar Rd - Cliftonville -FREEHOLD £349,000 3x3 bed apartments, IDEAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY



Ramsgate Rd - Margate priced to sell £119,500

3 bedrooms, 2 receptions, parking space for two cars, garden, TLC REQUIRED!!!



**Westcliff Mews -Broadstairs – £169,000** 2/3 bedroom apartment ideal as holiday let, 2 mins to the beach



**Ethelbert Terrace -**Westgate On Sea -£125,000

2 bedrooms, ground floor flat,



King Edward Rd -**Birchington – £219,000** 2/3 bedroms, semi detached bungalow



Sherwood Rd -Birchington - £269,000 3 bedrooms, recently built detached house

MYSLISZ O KUPNIE MIESZKANIA? - ZGLOS SIE DO NAS, MOZEMY POMOC!!!

 2/3 bedroom house with driveway - Margate - nice, hard working polish family waiting - up to £650 pcm ● 2 bedrom house ideally with garage - Ramsgate/Broadstairs - up to £600 pcm • 2 bedroom - flat/house in Margate, Westbrook, Westgate - up to £550 pcm more properties needed!!!

Property Managed from 5% (no VAT) Tenant finding from £150 (no VAT)

#### **BUY TO LET** Properties wanted in

• Canterbury • Folkestone • Margate • Broadstairs Mortgage and finance available on request

tes.co.uk

#### SOON ON THE MARKET

3 bed terraced house in Garlinge, excellent condition, parking for 2 cars, garden..............................£145,000 

2 bed flat in Cliftonville - lower ground flor, reasonably priced......

#### **SPECIALISING IN COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES:**

Take Away, Hotels, Guest Houses, Fish and Chips URGENTLY WANTED !!! CLIENTS READY TO COMPLETE!!!



### My 4Walls 01843 229955



#### MARGATE

Four bedroom mid terrace house, located close to Margate town centre, based over three floors, fitted kitchen private rear yard, available now.

megate

Ramsgate

Margate



#### RAMSGATE

This is a 3 bed house in Ramsgate close to the railway station. It has gas central heating and a garden \$7725



#### MARGATE

Recently built terrace house, larg lounge/ diner, downstairs WC. Two double bedrooms & one single,DG, GFCH

Cliftonville Two bedroom top floor flat located on the sea front in Cliftonville, Margate. One double bedroom, one single bedroom, fitted kitchen and bathroom. £400 pcm
Cliftonville This is a two bed flat with two double bedrooms and one reception room in a sought after location with clear sea views. It has electric central heating and an entryphone. £495 pcm

Two bedroom mid terrace house, located in a sought after street on Milton Avenue, Margate. Two double bedro

5 Lombard Street, Margate info@my4walls.biz www.my4walls.biz





## carsferkent.co.uk



#### **MOTORS** NEWS



### Late Lotus proves to be definitely worth wait

IT took longer than expected for the stunning Lotus Evora to arrive, but it was worth it.

The Evora (from £47,500) is the junior supercar the legendary sports car maker needed to complement its 'stripped out' Elise/Exige series and evoke memories of the 1970s/80s 'big Lotus' series: the Elite (MkII), Eclat and Esprit – the last being a genuine supercar.

Kent Lotus dealer Lipscomb expects to sell 40 Evoras a year, without cannibalising 60 Elise/Exige orders annually.



### Citroën juggles more power with emissions

CITROËN has maintained an increasingly familiar motor industry theme by swapping engines in its C5 family car line-up for greener yet more powerful units.

The apparently contradictory move brings a new 155bhp 1.6-litre petrol unit to replace the 143bhp 2.0 unit, and a single new 160bhp 2.0-litre diesel replaces one of 140bhp and a 173bhp 2.2 unit.

The new petrol engine gets eight per cent more power than before, but averages around 18 per cent better fuel consumption and 16 per cent lower CO2 emissions.



### Matiz demise sparks a stylish replacement

IT'S still cheap to buy, but the Chevrolet Matiz city car is close to its sell-by date.

Chevy has a stunning successor waiting in the wings though; the aptly named Spark (pictured) has the cutting-edge style for a sector where 'small and chic' is increasingly important to marketing.

marketing.

The Spark should arrive in early 2010, and will then soon be joined by the Orlando replacement for the Tacuma MPV and an all-new replacement for the Aveo supermini late next year/early 2011.



SMALL WONDER: The current Swift highlights a change of thinking by manufacturer's Suzuki, with a distinctive shape and a hike in quality plus better handling than its predecessor

# Latest Swift shows new high-flying Suzuki style

SUZUKI has rightly been beaten up for mediocre cars called Swift.

Never swift in pace or demeanour, they also tended to signal the Japanese brand's then rather cheap and not so cheerful approach to car making – before tough Korean competition focussed minds.

The current Swift though highlights a serious re-think that has taken Suzuki from pretty much the dunce's corner to the front row in the supermini class. The company said it talked to consumers and just about anyone else with useful input and it shows – but isn't this how cars should be created anyway?

The Swift has its own distinctive shape and yet there is also a clever hint of the BMW Mini about it, with the exaggerated wide stance, blacked out windscreen pillars and shallow rear side windows.

Suzuki has done its homework elsewhere too; quality has been hiked, with smart and durable materials inside for a car in this class and at prices starting from just £8,995 for the 1.3GL three-door.

Okay, I admit it was easier to be impressed when our test car was the £1,555 dearer

## ROAD TEST SUZUKI SWIFT

#### BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	****
Image	****
Space	****
Value	****
Running costs	****
Reliability	****
Green rating	****

1.5GLX five-door, which brings air con and alloys and some other generous goodies, but it still represents excellent value. The Swift interior has smart alloy-effect trimming and sensible storage, decent room for four passengers and the two-level boot with removable false floor is large and flexible for this class.

A logical, smart and gimmick-free dashboard also impresses and best of all, the Swift is closer to its airborne namesake this time; it's a sweet handling, versatile and thoroughly satisfying drive – a cut-price Mini if you like – and there's a 'hot' 1.6-litre Sport model too (0-62mph in 8.9 seconds).

Not that this overshadows the 1.5-litre much (0-62mph in 10 seconds) as it has all the latest Swift hallmarks: tight steering, flat cornering and slick gearbox, while ride quality and motorway refinement is not sacrificed totally to driver appeal, though this 1.5 engine can sound buzzy at times. Unlike past Swifts a diesel is also offered (£11,250), courtesy of Fiat, which can average 60mpg.

Some things remain unchanged though; this much improved Swift range retains the brand's traditional reliability, while flying higher and faster than any predecessor.



#### **Express Garage Ltd**







DAIHATSU "Approved Repairer"

#### SKODA

00 (00)	Capolis 2.0 151 02 Groy 1710 7150 Cillinate Control 1 Cittle 10,000 Hillion : 210100
08 (08)	Fabia 1.2 One Red PAS ABS A.C reverse camera, FSH, 57,000 miles . £7195
DAIH	ATSU
07 (57)	Siron 1.0S Mint Blue, PAS, AB,S A/C, One owner, FSH, 15,100 miles £6495
06 (56)	Sirion 1.3 SX Black, PAS, ABS A/C Alloys One Owner FSH 52,000 miles £4995
05 (55)	Sirion 1.3 SE Green, PAS, ABS Alloys A/C Twin Airbags 1 Owner, 11,000 miles. £5995

#### **97 (R)** Hi Jet 1.0 Grey, 6 Seater 61,000 miles . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . £1995 **PROTON**

08 (58) Gen-2 1.6 GSX LP6 Passion Blue PAS Leather Int Ex Demo 3,000 miles £8995
07 (57) Gen-2 1.6 GLS Passion Blue PAS ABS A/C Ex Demo 3,000 miles £6995
<b>06 (06) Gen-2 1.6 GLS Auto</b> Angel Blue PAS ABS A/C Ex Demo 2,000 miles <b>£5995</b>

06 (06) Gen-2 GLS Auto Black PAS ABS Leather Int one Owner	
FSH 3,000 miles	,
<b>06 (05) Gen-2 1.6</b> Blue, PAS, ABS, Alloys, One Owner FSH 15,000 miles <b>£4995</b>	,

07 (57) Satria Neo 1.6 GSX 3dr, PAS, ABS, A/C, Alloys, FSH, 11,600 miles	. £6695
07 (07) Savvy Style Auto 1.2 Silver, PAS ABS A/C One Owner	
FSH 19 000 miles	£4995

OTHER MAKES
<b>05 (55)</b> Suzuki 1.3 GL Met Grey, PAS Roof Rails, Alloys, FSH, One Owner 31,000 miles £3995
<b>02 (02) Vauxhall Agila 1.2</b> Red PAS 78,000 miles
<b>02 (52) Peugeot 206 xsi</b> 3 Dr, Blue, PAS ABS A/C, 38,000 miles £3995
<b>09 (09) Hyundai 120</b> 5 Dr, Hatch, Grey Metallic, PAS ABS A/C, One Owner 3,700 miles . £8995
<b>06 (56) Hyundai Getz 1.1</b> Atlantie, PAS ABS A/C, 22000 miles One owner £4995
<b>56 (06) Kia Picanto Zip</b> Red, PAS, ABS Sun Roof 21,000 miles
<b>03 (03) Rover 2Si</b> Blue, 5 Dr PAS, A/C , 47,000 miles£2395

SAVE MONEY ON FUEL SEE THE GEN-2 ECOLOGIC (LPG)

**SUNDAYS BY APPOINTMENT WARRANTY AVAILABLE** 



View all used cars at www.expressgarage.co.uk

A4, S4 Quattro, rv04uhh, immobiliser, remote central locking, full leather, electric seats, head restraints, heated seats, rear headrests, front fog lamps, abs, twin air bags, power hood, 4x4, red, 53000 miles, £13999,

A4, Fsi Sport, re54hlf, immobiliser, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, power steering, stability control, abs, multiple airhags cd player, radio, alloy wheels, visit our website for details of 50 similAR cars. silver, 49000 miles, 57990, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

1 Series, 116 iSport 5dr with full leather, It55vmd, remote alarm, remote central locking, full leather, rear headrests, power steering, traction control, abs, multiple airbags, colour coded body, japan red, 48000 miles, £9995, Welling, 0208 8548037

1 Series, 118d M SPORT, sy06awx, only 43005 miles, manufacturers service history, upgraded alloys, cd player, areosport spoilers,air conditioning, alarm, anti dazzle rear screen anti skid control + traction nw business stereo, clear lenses, le ans blue, £13990, Wrotham Heath, 01732 220555 (TRADE)

#### CITROEN

BERLINGO, Multispace, s923 ecd, power steering, air bag, remote central locking, remote alarm, electric front windows, rear wash/wipe, rear headrests, adjustable steering column, cd player, radio, cloth upholstery, red, 85100 miles, £1995, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

BERLINGO, 1.6HDI Refrigerate Chiller / Freezer, aaaaaa, cd player, power steering, grp lined. hubbard fridge standby available if required (optional extra), white, 15 miles, £9595, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034

BERLINGO, Jiffy Hot & Cold Catering Truck, fn04zvv, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, power steering, air bag, electric windows, electric mirrors, heated display, hand wash facilities. white, 0 miles, £8995. Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

BERLINGO, Jiffy Hot & Cold Catering Truck, w173knu, large fridge, large oven. hot & cold water. ambient section. white, 77000 miles, £6995, Sevennaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

C2. 1.4i VTR 3dr Hatch, qi59eke, pas. abs, air conditioning, remote central locking, front electric windows. locking, front electric williums, radio/cd, trip computer, passenger airbag, s15 miles, £9995, Tunbridge Wells. 01892 549766 (TRADE)

player central locking driver's airbag power steering history check electric windows, blue, 30450 miles, £4495, Sittingbourne, 01795 476222

C3, Desire 5dr, en07nws, cloth upholstery, power steering, immobiliser, remote central locking, head restraints, folding rear seats, rear headrests, metallic paintwork, rear wasth/wipe, colour coded body, twin air bags, isofix, abs, electric mirrors, electric front windows, air conditioning, of player, black, 24000 miles, £5999, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADP)

C3, Exclusive, gu08kbn, abs, air bag, immobiliser, central locking, remote central locking, air conditioning, stereo, aluminium gear knob, driver/passenger armrests, pollen filter, rear parcel shelf, front seatback pockets, audible speed warning programmable, black panel night illumination, drawer under drivers seat, oil level indicator, 5 three point inertia reel seatbelts, coolant level warning indicator, split folding rear seat, aluminium effect interior door handles, energy absorbing side seat, aluminium effect interior door handles, energy absorbing side impact protection, door pockets on all four doors, aluminium effect front vents, heated rear window with intermittent wash/wipe, automatic, 16" cheetah alloy wheels, grey 2000 miles, £9995, Welling, 0208 303 4030 (TRAD2)

500, 1.4 Sport 3dr Hatch, wn58wcy, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, front fog lights, radio/cd, side airbags, electricdoor mirrors, drivers airbag, space saver spare wheel, Isoffx child seat anchor points, body coloured bumpers, height adjustable drivers seat, sports seats, traction control, tropicalia yellow, 15 milies, £10995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

BRAVO, 1.9 Multijet 150 Dynamic 5dr Diesel Hatch, rk59pnf, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, rear electric windows, front fog lights, trip computer, cruise control, side airbags, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, climate control,, 100 miles, £13995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766

BRAVO, 1.6 Multijet Dynamic Eco 5dr Diesel Hatch, av58ltf, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, rear electric windows, front fog lights, side airbags, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, folding rear seats, isofix child seat anchor points, body coloured bumpers, space saver spare wheel, 3x3 point rear seat belts, rear headrests, cool jazz blue metallic 12000 miles, £10995, Tunbridge Wells 01892 549766 (TRADE)

FORD

C-MAX, 1.6TDCI ZETEC 110 5DR [DPF] 56 MPG, ro06vrx, abs, adjustable seaths, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, child locks, colour coding body, driver airbag, electric mirrors, ele passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, quickclear heated screen, balance of 3 year warranty, electricdoor mirrors, fro electric windows, front foo lights. indows, front fog lights, pas silver, 19000 miles, £10995 Sittingbourne, 01795 426693 (TRADE)

C-MAX. 1.8TDCi Titanium 5dr SPORT PACK 3, ng08hhr, 18 alloys, rain sensing wipers, abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, child locks, colour coding body, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, grey, 25693 miles, £11995, Sittingbourne, 01795 426693 (TRADE)

C-MAX, 1.6TDCi Zetec 5dr, ap08nnf, abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, cloth upholstery, colour coding body, driver upnolstery, colour coding body, driver airbag, electric mirrors, folglights, front armrest, heated screen, locking wheel nuts, immobiliser, metalliic paintwork, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, adjustable seats, child locks, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, remote locking, side airbags. insurance group-7, grey, 28102 miles, £10500, Sittingbourne, 01795 426693

C-MAX, 2.0TDCI Titanium 5dr, et58cuc, climate control air conditioning, dvd touch screen sat nav, privacy glass, rear park assist, abs, alloy wheels, central locking, electric mirrors, electric windows, remote locking, radio/cd. insurance group:10, black, 3562 miles, £16990, Central of 1322 621667 (PADA) Crayford, 01322 621667 (TRADE)

C-MAX 1 6TDCL ZETEC 5DB column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, electric mirrors, electric windows, heated screen, metallic paintwork, power assisted steering remote locking, radio/cd, privacy glass, remote central locking. nsurance group:7, please contact £11990, Crayford, 01322 621667

...the independent Mercedes-Benz specialists

Servicing & repairs **Diagnostics Four Wheel Alignment Air Conditioning Parts & Accessories Courtesy Cars** 

Call Today - 01227 723980

T. 01227 723980 E. enquiries@classcarscanterbury.co.uk

### Adamsons of Deal and Dover.

### **Octavia** or Fabia.



#### 0% VAT. Ends soon. Don't miss out.

We've reduced the prices of all Fabia and Octavia until 31st January 2010, which means it's like not having to pay the VAT. That's a saving of up to £1,808.48<sup>†</sup> on a Fabia and £2,904.13<sup>†</sup> on an Octavia.

### **Happy** Scrapping.



#### We'll give you up to £3,500\* off any new Škoda.

\*The £2,500 saving is dependant on the vehicle meeting the full Government scrappage incentive criteria. The Government scrappage payment applies to vehicles registered on or before 31st August 1999 when traded-in against a new car subject to conditions. Not available in conjunction with any other offer. Terms & Conditions apply. Offer is subject to availability and may be varied or withdrawn at any time. At participating retailers only. Please see your local retailer for full terms and conditions.

### Fabia 3 and Scout now tax and interest free.



Until 31st January 2010, we've reduced the price on all Fabia 3 and Scout models so it'll be like not having to pay the VAT.

This represents a potential customer saving of up to €1,808.48 on the RRP. Prices for Fabia 3 start from €10.813.70 RRP and Scout start from

And with 0% APR  $typical^*$  thrown in there is no excuse for not popping in to see us.



**Adamsons of Deal and Dover** 137a Dover Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent A family run business serving the area since 1975

Tel: 01304 381 300 www.adamsons-skoda.co.uk to receive

EASY TO LOVE Lovely African

EASY TO LOVE Lovely African female, 39, 514, likes football, socialising, cinema, and cooking, looking for a loving and caring male for a LTR. Ashford. Box 46968 @ YOU CAN'T RESIST... Fun loving intelligent lady, 39, blonde, attractive, now looking for that special man to share life with. Total one Social Soc

WANNA RIDE WITH YOU
Curvaceous lady, 40, 5ft8, long curly
hair, into motorbikes!! Single mum,
seeks fun-loving bike fan for rides into
the sunset. Eastbourne. Box 458787

YOUNG-AT-HEART Attractive 38yr

QUICK, EASY WAY

TO VIEW @HOTOS!

Just enter the six-digit

Box number, followed by a space, then PHOTO and send to 82250

ADDING @HOTOS!

Email: Send your photo and Member Number to: Louise@g8wave.co.uk Mobile: Register your number

with us & send by MMS to

Enter P2P as subject.

MMS - network charges apply

A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE

Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, Lovely, glossy ordinette, sayr oid, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys the-atre, music and eating out, WLTM a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 •

dancing and singing, collectibles, seeking a man with a nice soh. Box 460397 BETWEEN US Asian lady, 41, sin-

gle, no ties, outgoing, fun-loving, pro-fessional, looking for white male, gen-uine, professional and solvent. Box

FOR A RELATIONSHIP? Shy but

confident-once-known female, a mum, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walks, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopeful love with. Box 452106 •

Alerts & Matches

to your mobile.
Saring you both time and mones in your search for romance).

### yourkentdating OOKING FOR ROMANCE? TRY ONLINE... www.people2people.co.uk/kos.asp







#### WOMEN seeking men

MAKE IT LAST Slim female, 25, 5'10", long brown hair and blue eyes, caring and social, likes clubs, cinemas, seeking a kind male, 30-45 for a relationship. Box 461558 • MATCH OF THE DAY! Fun-to-be

MATCH OF THE DAY! Fun-to-bewith, blonde female, 25, 512, a woman who loves football Enjoys going out and staying in, looking for a like-minded man, to be her soulmate. Box 44694 **0**NOT YOUR BROWN-EYED GIRL, BUT... Blue-eyed brunette, 27, 511, loves films, walking, darts, pool, singing, me time! Looking for honest guy with GSOH, to get to know. Box 880105 **0 0**IS ANYONE OUT THERE? 31yr old easyoging, independent female,

old easygoing, independent female, WLTM cuddly fella to enjoy the finer things in life with, leading to LTR with the right person. Box 879931 **♀ ♀ ĢIVE AND TAKE IN LOVE** Loving that from 20 bits on the beautiful 00

loyal female, 30, blue eyes, brown hair, seeking LTR with male 30-35, 6ft+, no baggage, in the Maidstone area. Box 448471 **①** 

BOX 384013 THE READY TO START AGAINI NICE, THE POWER THE

409416 ()
A FAIRYTALE ENDING! Princess Fiona, 34, looking to meet her Shrek 5ft8, short brown/blonde hair, blue

FEAST YOUR EYES ON ME... Hello I'm Andrea, 35, petite 5ft3, shoulder length curly hair. I enjoy eating out, cinema and I'm looking for friendship and possible long term relationship Box 453039 WHAT VOLSEE

WHAT YOU SEE... Young looking WHAT YOU SEE... Young looking 36 year old, 15ft, brown eyes, slim, one daughter, hard working, very sincere and caring, genuine, GSOH, seeks similar male 33-43. Rochester. Box 460307

STARRY NIGHTS Hello I'm Sarah, single mum from Kent, brown hair enjoy swimmling nights infout looking for a caring man to share the best thing in Iffe. Box 878378

TOUGH BUT TENDER Loving single mum, 40, likes clubbing but especially nights in with a scary film, seeking loyal, tough, tender man to share my life with Whitstable. Box 461047 thing in life. Box 878378

HISTORIC MEETING? Mum of three, 36, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-49, non-smoker, for LTD Pay 40693 69. TAKE A LITTLE TIME Social lady, 41, 5'3", gsoh, likes family life, going out, cinema, walks, staying in, seeking a fun male for company. Sheerness. Box 461145 **①** 

NO TIES Lonely, bored, professional Tunbridge Wells Asian lady, 40, WLTM slim, single, solvent, professional white male 40-50 for company, fun, love and laughter. Box 443573 • PRETTY IN PINK Feminine lady, 41, no children some pets, like pink, pop music, astrology, dining out,

Tour children. 1 enjoy drives, norse no-ing, Maldstone. Box 456159 
MEND A BROKEN HEART Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053 
2

Box 908053 • • SEIZE THE DAY Loving female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666 •

42866 **⊕ LOVE TO LOVE YOU** Lovely female, 36, 5ft4, medium/large build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usuall Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102

CUTE AS CAN BE Cute single mum of four, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship, possibly romance. Box 897983 • FREE AD placement, call: 0808 156 5339

**COLLECT** your messages: 0906 550 4335

FANCY A DRINK? Hi I'm Judith, 40, small, blonde hair, blue eyes, love the sea and watersports, cinema, animals; WLTM fun-loving guy for friend-ship and see what happens. Box 448107 • LIFE IS GIVING LOVE A

LIFE IS GIVING LOVE A
GUARANTEE Down-to-earth lady,
42, sincere, honest and reliable, looking for a male for friendship first, going
out, enjoying evenings and perhaps
something more later on. Box 449712

HELLO EVERYONE! Single dogowner, 42, fun-loving, kind and loyal, likes meals out, weekends away, country walks, WLTM a non-smoking guy to share it all with. Seaford Box

guy to share it all with. Seaford Box 454569 **⊕**HAPPY TIMES ARE HERE TO STAY Single mum, 42, 5ft6, likes fun nights out, cinema, meals out, cuddles and kisses, looking for a fun-loving sort te ober the page if the property in the page if the page is the page in the page is the page. gent to share happy times with. Ashford Box 459692

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
Audrey here, live in Seadord, and
WLTM caring man. I'm fun loving,
loyal, honest, adventurous, and love
animals, cooking, music, film, countryside. Box 872159 

DOES THIS SOUND LIKE YOU?
Single mum, 42, from Ashford, 5ffg,
dark hair/eyes, likes wine bars, pubs,
days out and keeping fit, looking for a
caring and fun-loving gent, 5ffg+. Box
461129 

SHOW ME LOVE Active snorty

SHOW ME LOVE Active sporty

female, 43, enjoys the usual things in life, looking for someone genuine and honest, initially for friendship but then who knows? Tunbridge Wells. Box ANOTHER CHAPTER Hard work

ing PA, 43, single mum, grey-green-blue eyes, loves socialising and enjoy-ing life, seeks loyal, honest male to find love with. Sittingbourne. Box 461037

TALL ORDER Curvy lady, 5ft9, 43yrs old, blonde hair/green eyes. I live in Deal in Kent, I'm down-to-earth and like being out and about. Box 456020 ①

LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL Goodlooking brunette from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc, looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with gsoh for friendship/relationship. Box 450348

450348 ♥ HONEY Petite, slim, honey-blonde lady, 54\* age 44, enjoys the seaside and horse-racing, looking for a dark-haired, genuine, honest and professional man, 25-50 in Birighton. Box 458465 ♥ HOW YOU DOING? Attractive, curvy single mum, 44, kind, genuine, loyal and loving, seeking a man with similar qualities to share my life with. St Leonards-on-Sea Box 459128 ♥ ENJOY LIFE TO THE FULL

ENJOY LIFE TO THE FULL

Young-looking 46yr old female, 5ft4, slim, blonde, non-smoker, affectionate, loyal, caring, seeking a male, 40-45, up to 5ft7, to share life with. Ashford/Maidstone area please. Box

A REAL DIAMOND African lady 47, honest, loving and caring, enjoy most things in life, looking for a male 50+, for a LTR. Canterbury Box lady, 46, dark brown hairblue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, WLTM male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585 **①**ETERNALLY YOURS Easygoing

woman, likes most things in life; country walks, films, cinema, cooking. I'm 46, 5ft2, medium build, WLTM genuine, happy guy, easygoing and fun. Box 445635 

■

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?
Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42 52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444366 ①

MAKE A DATE Friendly female, 48, blonde, blue eyes, medium build, likes most things, seeking a nice, genuine male 48-52. Canterbury. Box 460951

MAKE IT ENJOYABLE Pretty, young-looking, slender woman, 49, dark-haired seeks reliable gentleman, 25-49 for a loving relationship.

Rochester. Box 460686

Rochester. Box 46068€ **@ @**WHY KEP LOOKING? Locking
for a bit of fun as well as a relationship? So am I, 5t/2; female, 49, looking for a kind and affectionate man.
Box 867730 **@**LIKE MINDS Single female, 49,
enjoy a varied social life going out,
tenpin bowling, out for meals, cinema,
trawelling, looking to meet someone
with similar interests. Eastbourne. Box
866286 **@** BE MY FRIEND AND LOVER

Bubbly, caring lady, 47, divorced with 2 teenagers, dark hair, medium build, into cooking, driving, love to talk, laugh and have fun, seeking a normal guy Box 425952 **①** 

guy Box 42393 € T **MEDICINE** Help me write my stand-up comedy routine! I'm 49, you'll need to make me laugh out loud and under-stand observational comedy to make the grade. Box 892640 € JUST IMAGINE Petite, brunette

JUST IMAGINE Petite, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, WLTM genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562 ©
CARING & PROFESSIONAL
Female 49, 514, long hair, slim build, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 49-55. Hastings Box 417100 ©

Box 417100 **①**FAMILY LIFE Warm hearted lady, 51, look younger! I'm 5ff6, slim build, with blonde hair, divorced (grown up children), WLTM nice man, 40's/50's in the Aylesford area. Box 461834 **①** 

in the Aylesford area. Box 461834 ©
NOTHING VENTURED.... HI
there, I'm a Sussex based, 51yr old
woman, I love eating out, historical
sites etc, looking for kind gent for
friendship, evening out, maybe more.
Box 459181 ©
MAKE A DATE Petite fermale, 52,
learts blow are eaten 64 55 fac

blonde, blue eyes, seeks 46-61 year old single male for ltr. Interests include walking, photography and more. Brighton. Box 866322 **②** 

HONESTY A MUST Genuine lady, 54, 5ft6, slim build, dark hair. I'm a smoker, live in Maidstone, have a



#### Text KOS to 81188

Charges: 35p each message you send. Forwarded messages and requested matches: 75p incl VAT.

**REPLY** to an ad. call: 0905 211 0651

#### REPLY by Text

You can choose to text the member's 6-digit box number followed by a space, then your message (max of 160 characters) and send to **82250** e.g. 654321 Hi my name is... Standard network rates apply to send messages. Successfully forwarded messages cost £1.50 per message.

COMPANIONSHIP, LAUGHTER, HOPEFULLY MORE Curry & cuddy, outgoing, friendly, honest female, 53, 5ft7, larger build, fair hair, likes socialising, country walks, theatre, cinema, music, swimming, WLTM similar loving male. Box 443642

smilar foving male. 50x 443642 **W DO YOU HAVE THE BRAINS & THE LOOKS?!** Professional, attractive female, 54, enjoys the country side, gardening, keeping fit, reading and live music, looking to meet an attractive and intelligent man for a relationship. Box 448863 **W** 

relationship. Box 448863 **© ©**LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS!
Smart petite lady, 56, 5144 tall, blonde
hair, green eyes, likes restaurants,
theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests.
Box 448795 **MAKE A NEW FRIEND** Fun-loving
lady, 58, 514, dark hair, single muml
Likes countryside walks, reading,
cooking and cosy nights in, seeks

cooking and cosy nights in, seeks similar male. Folkestone. Box 460420

WALKS ALONG THE COAST WALKS ALONG THE COAST Honest & incore female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441622 
■
DIVORCED Loving, kind, honest female, 58, 516, interests include the countryside, old pubs, music, reading and baking, looking for that special someone to enjoy life with. Box 878455 
● ORDINARY ME Gilllingham based lady, 60, looking for a male friend and companion. Im friendly, blonde, 51f4, slim build. Box 462244 
■
MUSIC TO MY EARS HI my

sim build. Box 482244 
MUSIC TO MY EARS Hi my name's Christine, 59, 59\*, sim build, wear glasses, likes live music, the arte, playing dars, looking for sim build male, for friendship, possible more. Box 419914 
BRIGHTENING UP Cuddly lady, 61, 5ft5, blonde, likes swimming, country pubs, cinema and much more, WITM tallish single man to hopefully brighten each others lives. Box 870214 
QUENTIAL ENERS HIS SHIPS HIS THE SHIPS FOR THE SHI

name's Mary, 62, looking for friend ship with a kind, honest man, I like walking, meals out and holidays...how about we have a coffee? Box

LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG Useful, intelligent, caring temale, 62, young looking/acting, life walks, music, cooking, seeking sensitive, caring, uncomplicated male, N/S, perhaps a dog owner, for friendship first. Box 434345 © LOVE ME DO Loving and caring lady, 63, 5ft3, brown harfreyes, likes most things in life, looking for a caring lady, 63, 5ft3, brown harfreyes, likes most things in life, looking for a caring and considerate male for friendship, hopefully a LTR. Margate. Box 460082 © QUALITY TIME Widow, early 60's, likes dancing, drinks, gardening,

likes dancing, drinks, gardening, socialising, and walks works, seeking a good gent. Ramsgate. Box 460872

TABLE FOR TWO Honest sincere female, 64, attractive, likes animals, walks, socialising, very GSOH, seeks tall male for friendship, a meal, and maybe more? Hastings. Box 461540

seeking women

relationship. Box 414143 ①

relationship. Box 414143 **TVOLUPTUOUS LADY** Curvy lady, 57, very loving and graceful, enjoy the beach, music, walking, theatre, and reading, looking for a lady 50-70. Box 458935 **TVOLUME** 

Box 458935 **W**HOMELY SORT Hello there, I'm looking for a kind, gentle partner, a homely woman, with GSOH. I'm female, 56, and enjoy cinema, reading, antiques, gardening, music. Eastbourne. Box 451409 ①



MEN seeking women

SOCIABLE AND CARING Hi there, I'm a 23yr old guy, live in Dover, I'm 6ft tall and enjoy walking. seeing friends, pubs, music, films, comedy, WLTM a girl, 18-27. Box 460182 

MAKE A DATE Romantic and fun

male, 33, 5'8" big brown eyes, seek-ing a special lady 20-30 to get to know and take you out. Kent. Box

Box 461001 U

LOVE ME TENDER Fun-loving

honest guy, 34, 5ft11, brown hair, seeking honest, caring female for friendship, maybe leading to honest, tender relationship. Eastbourne. Box 44200 & 6

tender relationship. Eastbourne. Box 446200 **©** BOTTLE OF WINE Hi there, I'm an easygoing male, 35, 5f8, medium build, brown hair. I'm based in Brighton and enjoy seeing friends, drinks, cinema, walks. Box 450165 **©** Ø

OUTDOOR TYPE Adventurous, 

Handsome, tall male, 38, 6'4", looking for a young lady to slowly re-discover the finer things in life. Box 454805 ①

the finer things in life. Box 454805 €
CHEER ME UP 39yr old male,
GSOH, like the normal things in life,
WLTM a female for fun and possible
relationship. Box 454878 €
NEW IN TOWN Good-looking
male, 39, fair hair, blue eyes, nice
build and height, social, likes holidays, dining out, fit, seeking a woman
to go out with. Rochester. Box
460825

460825

LIFE IS FOR LIVING Divorced
male, 40, 510°, brown hair, blue
eyes, likes live music, looking for a
fun woman to enjoy life with, to go
out for fun. Eastbourne. Box 462094
HAPPY GO LUCKY Stocky, 5ff7,
20 stocks are blue uses that hair

HAPPY GO LUCKY Stocky, 517,

39, male, green-blue eyes, short hair,

virgo, GSOH, love swimming, walks

on beaches, days out, seeking similar

female, for loving times. Box 455764

© ©

LOVE MED DO Brown-eyed man,

40, likes playing darts, WLTM bubbly,

fun to be with lady to go on dates

with and get to know better. Dover

Box 456129 ©

TI'S WHAIT'S INSIDE THAT

COUNTS Loving and caring male,

40, 5fl8, medium build, average

looks, seeks outgoing, loving, caring

person to find love with. Canterbury.

Box 458290 ©

A MAN OF FEW WORDS, BUT

MUCH LOVE Hi, 40yr old fun-loving

female, looks unimportant, for hopeful

LTR. Many hobbles and interests!

LTR. Many hobbies and interests!

Box 450819 

MAKE YOUR MARK Hi I'm Mark,
40, 5fl8, brown hair and eyes, fit, not
ugly, mature, honest, NLTM someone trustworthy and caring. Box
448372 

HIYA I'm a cute and laid-back guy,
41, 5fl8, short hair, athletic, very tactile, loving and spontaneous, likes
shopping, travelling, eating in/out,
hate football! Brighton. Box 450614

THE REAL THING Happy-golucky, fun-loving male, 42, 5fl8, brown

THE REAL THING Happy-go-lucky, fun-loving male, 42, 518, brown eyes, medium build, likes nights out/in with a can of coke, seeking similar female for companionship. Box 441762 0 IN LOVE Single 50s male looking for lady for loving friendship. I'm hon-est, sincere, genuine and love est, sincere, genuine and love Rev 451188 0

Box 451188 **①** 

**BROWSE** and listen line: 0906 753 3093 **HELP** required with service?

0871 220 9205

COME AND GET ME! Ashford male, 44, dark hair and blue eyes, 5ft6, slim, loving, easygoing, loves holidays, theatre, beach walks, WLTM loving genuine lady for potential LTR. Box 460807

BE MINE Slim male, 44, 5'11", dark hair and eyes, likes going out, walks, looking for a single, honest and loving lady, 25-50, who is exotic. Maidstone. Box 460591

lady, 25-50, who is exotic. Maidstone. Box 460591 ⊕ Outgoing quy, 45, 6tf. medium build, likes going to the pubs, cinema and walks, looking for a long term relationship with a genuine woman. Medway Box 460902 ⊕ GOOD COOK Single dad, confident, nice smile, 42, 510°, nice build, single dad, own home, loves cooking, going out, sports, WLTM someone similar to me. Maidstone. Box 462077 ⊕ ROMANTIC TYPE Loyal gent, 45. I'm caring, romantic with a GSOH, looking for similar female, 30-40, slim/medium. I'm 5ft11, slim/medium. build, brown har/blue eyes. Single

build, brown hair/blue eyes. Single mums welcome.Hastings Box

451334
WITTY Active, adventurous, articu-late male, 43, own home(ar, enjoys-shopping, good food, country walks, music, most things, seeks homely, warm, trusting female. Box 486508
ROMANCE IS ALIVE Easygoin 46yr old good looking male, GSOH, looking or a bubbly female, 45-45, for pmance and share the accordington.

nard working. Box 45/240 

TAKE MY HAND Genuine, honest man, 47, likes dining out, walking, looking to share the good life with a woman, 35-50. Deal, Kent. Box 460441 

■

460441 **● BE WITH ME** Fun genuine man, 48, GSOH, medium build, green-blue eyes, 5ft8, nice to be with, looking for a lady between 45-52 with a GSOH. Gillingham. Box 870256

Cranbrook Box 73/529 \*\*O\*\*

\*\*GOING SWIMMINGLY! Sincere, down-to-earth male, 47, 6ft, good-looking, athletic, own business, likes swimming, cinema, music, gigs, walking, seeking slim, laid-back lady, 25-45, for potential LTR. Box 440847 45, for potential LIH. Box 440847

READ THIS! 50yr old man, looking for black lady, 30-60. I like eating in and out, walks, music, cinema, having a laugh. Like what you read? Box 439057

439057 **Q**FANCY A DRINK? I love the beach, drinks out, wining/dining, I'm an easygoing gent, 51, slim/medium build, brown hair/eyes. Kent area. Box 461828 **Q** 

WALK THIS WAY Blond male, 53, WALK THIS WAY Blond male, 53, blue eyes, gsoh, likes walking along the coast line, swimming, badminton, WLTM a caring lady for a lasting relationship. Gillingham Box 456734 MAKE A DATE Sincere male, 54, self-employed, 54 "lies walks, drink, dining out, cinema, all the usual things, seeking female companionship and more. St. Leonards. Box 461908 A BETTER LIFE Professional male

A BETTER LIFE Professional male, 55. happy, solvent and secure, young-looking, sprightly, likes music, the arts, dry soh, seeking a gentle and kind female. Margate Box 456752 W A VERY GOOD SOH... Hi I'm Malc, 55, live by the sea, very youthractive apparently..! Enjoys the outdoors, seeks similar lady. Westgateon-Sea. Box 460324 W PERFECT PARTNER Romantic, tactile male, 54, 511°, brown hair/eyes, gsoh, enjoys cinema, nights induct, looking for someone special for love. Aylestord. Box 410217 W NEVER GIVE UP S8 going on 30, blonde hair, into motorcycles, cars; love my animals, looking for someone honest, reliable and trustworthy for love. Box 699533

honest, remany and love. Box 869533

MOVING ON UP Long time divorced male, late 50s, seeking sincere and affectionate female for friendship and more. Hastings. Box

idays. Westgate-on-Sea. Box 455652

LEAVE YOUR NAME &
NUMBER... Fit, healthy, sociable
chap, 61, free agent having sold business, likes walking, swimming & writing, seeks fit, healthy female to share
good times. Box 462029 
LOVE IS THE ANSWER Retired
62yr old male, 6ft, blue eyes, solvent,
hobbies include music, films, reading,
American comics and forbali, WLTM
a sweet lady for friendship/love.
Herme Bay, Box 460106 
KIND-HEARTED Retired professional, 62, happy, confident, GSOH,
enjoys gardening, cooking, golf and
walking in the sunshine, looking for a
slim n/s lady to share nice times. Box
45047 
WAKE A DATE Caring male, in his

450847 1 Q MAKE A DATE Caring male, in his 60's, 62", likes theather, dancing, pubs, shopping, dining out, non-smoker, seeking a similar female for a relationship. East Sussex. Box 462206

Men seeking men

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN Easygoing male, Margate, 39yrs old and looking for fun with like-minded, laid-back male. Get in touch! Box 461914 ①

SUNNY SIDE UP Professional male with GSOH, 45, 6ft, slim-medi-um build with short dark hair, looking for similar professional to enjoy life and settle down with. Brighton. Box

462166 W MAKE A CONNECTION Single 

male, kind, genuine, 50yrs, likes steam railways, cooking, country walks, history, reading, looking for that someone special Box 429211 ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES Active

Styr old man in fairly good shape, looking to meet a nice man for relaxation, conversation and good times. Box 452249 •

TEXT REPY: For your protection, you will not be allowed to swap contact details until you have exchanged fine messages each. QUIDELINES, and the state of the swap contact details until you have exchanged fine messages each. QUIDELINES, and the state of the swap contact details until you have exchanged fine messages each. QUIDELINES, advertise in yourkentdating. We suggest that also contain a self-description, age range, and lifestyle description. We reserve the right to refuse or edit any ad for any reason. Ads may not be submitted by persons younger than 18 years of age of publication in yourkentdating. Also, no ads will be published seeking persons younger than 18 years of age. DISCLAIMER: KOS Media as assumes no liability for the content of or reply to any personal advertisement. The advertiser assumes complete liability for the content of all replies to any advertisement or recorded message and for any claims made against KOS Media as a result thereof. The advertiser agrees to indemnify and hold KOS Media harmless from damages resulting from or caused by the publication or recording placed by the advertiser or any reply to any such advertisement. If you are not a BT telephone customer, please contact your service provider for details of their charges. Service provided by g8wave Ltd. DATA PROTECTION: The People2-People™ service is provided by g8wave Ltd. Old Tileyard Studios, Tileyard Road, London N7 9AH, g8wave Ltd will collect the details you provide when placing your ad, including your name and address and may use your information to send you details of other related services and events operated by the company. Your name and only use it for their own marketing purposes. Your ad may appear in other newspapers and on the People2-People Minternet site. If you are not a BT telephone customer, please contact your service provider for details of their charges. "yourkentdating" is a trademark of g8wave Ltd.

Powered by Jobsforkent.co.uk search engine

#### **TO ADVERTISE:** © EMAIL US @: appointments@kosmedia.co.uk

**TELEPHONE US ON:** 01303 817040 **FAX US ON:** 01303 817004

- ADMINISTRATION, SECRETARIAL, PA
- AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT
- ART AND DESIGN
- · CATERING, HOSPITALITY
- · CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS
- CUSTOMER SERVICE, CALL CENTRE
- EDUCATION, TEACHER, SCHOOL
- ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES
- ESTATE AGENCY, PROPERTY

- GRADUATE, TRAINEES
- HEALTH AND SAFETY, SECURITY, DEFENCE
- HR. RECRUITMENT
- INDUSTRIAL, WAREHOUSE, FACTORY
- IT, INTERNET, TELECOMS
- INSURANCE, BANKING, FINANCE
- LEISURE, TOURISM, TRAVEL
- MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY
- MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS
- MARKETING, ADVERTISING

- MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER
- NOT FOR PROFIT, CHARITIES
- NURSING MEDICINE CARE WORK
- OTHER
- · PRINT, PACKAGING, DISTRIBUTION PR. MEDIA, JOURNALISM
- PUBLIC SECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES
- RETAIL, WHOLESALE, SALES
- SCIENTIFIC AND PHARMACEUTICAL. RESEARCH
- TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS, AVIATION

**Senior & General Appointments** 66-68

### MEDITATION

Registered Charity No. 1081218 Independent Teachers of TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION (Simple, effortless Yoga for the mind)

#### **OFFICE MANAGER**

Job Share, 16 hours weekly rising to 24. One morning a week plus afternoons. Also covering mornings for holidays and other absence.

Flexible and enthusiastic individual able to work with our current Office Manager to support our small but growing team of professional teachers covering Britain and Ireland. Requires efficiency and skill to develop the office management; sympathetic telephone manner with enquirers and energetic promotional skills with partners such as doctors, therapists, yoga teachers, business and the media.

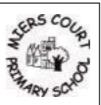
A varied and challenging position, but low- stress as there are, at present, no staff to manage!

REQUIRES experience of Microsoft Office and Outlook, plus lively practical knowledge of use of the most up to date computer applications.

APPLICATIONS WITH C.V. TO: Colin & Sue Beckley, Directors, The Meditation Trust, 51 Station Road, Birchington, CT7 9DJ

FOR INFO PACK RE TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION CALL 01843 841010

**Community Liaison Office** Grade: C2 - Salary: £19,621- £26,276 Hours: 37 hours per week - 52 weeks a year (variable in accordance with the needs of the Children's Centre) Location: Miers Court Primary School Silverspot Close Rainham Gillingham Kent ME8 8JR Tel: 01634 388943 or e-mail: office@mierscourt.medway.sch.uk



Would you like to be part of the exciting new Children's Centre at Miers Court Primary School?

We are seeking to recruit a Community Liaison Officer to join our enthusiastic team as we prepare to open our brand new children's centre. Someone who welcomes new challenges, has an excellent sense of humour and is willing to lead a team offering new projects for local families with young children and working in partnership with a range of local agencies.

#### Applicants should have:

education to degree level or relevant experience

- the skills to involve families with young children within a diverse community and become active in the community.
- · a good knowledge of the local community
- excellent communication and leadership skills.
- the ability to maintain systems and a wide range of records and written reports
- the aspiration for excellence in services for children and families
  a commitment to equal opportunities in service delivery and employment.
- an enthusiasm to develop good working relationships with a wide range of partners, agencies and individuals.
- a desire to keep abreast of current developments, research and best practice, and to review, evaluate and implement change accordingly.

Informal visits to the school are most welcome

Offer of appointment is subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.

To find out more about this exciting role or to arrange a visit please contact: Mrs Sue McCracken, Headteacher, on Tel: 01634 388943 or email patts004@medway.org.uk

Closing Date: 15th December 2009

#### **Purchase Ledger Clerk** Required

Experienced in all aspects of purchase ledger including invoice processing, reconciling statements, weekly payments, with experience on computerised accounting system.

Salary negotiable depending on experience.

Monday to Friday 9.00am until 5.30pm.

Please send CV's to Alistair Mackay-Miller, Piper Double Glazing Limited, 140 Newington Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT12 6PP or by e-mail to ron@piperwindows.co.uk.

We are an Equal Opportunities Employer.



#### **DOVER GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR BOYS**

**Business and Enterprise College International Baccalaureate World School** 

#### **Early Intervention Project Worker WAVE Project**

Salary

**Dover Grammar School for Boys** £17.140 37 hours per week 27 November 2009 at Midday

We are looking for a motivated person who is committed to supporting children, young people and families with a range of additional needs.

WAVE is a multi agency, early intervention project. It is managed by a Principle Social Worker, there are 2 Primary Mental Health Workers and 3 WAVE Project Workers in the team.

You will be expected to work with primary children and young people, parents/carers in a variety of settings in school and in the community. You will be working with professionals from voluntary and statutory agencies across both the Dover, Deal and Sandwich Partnerships.

You will be delivering support that will promote the social, emotional, and behavioural needs of children and families in accordance with the Every Child Matters agenda.

You must be able to plan, prepare and deliver direct work in home and school settings and plan and facilitate group work. Experience of work within a school and family setting is essential

You will encourage independence, resilience and good emotional wellbeing through understanding normal child development, attachment theory and emotional literacy, and have the ability to effectively communicate with children and young people, their parents/carers and professionals

You must have a flexible approach, a sound values base and be able to work effectively in a team as well as independently and have a commitment to equal opportunities, good time management and organisational skills, which will include good record keeping skills and the ability to communicate clearly in writing.

You will be expected to travel throughout the district in undertaking your work. The Governors are committed to safeguarding and ensuring the welfare of children

This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau

Please make your applications for the attention of: Margot Wynne Poltons Family Centre Vale View Road Dover Kent CT17 9NR





#### CITY VIEW PRE-SCHOOL & NURSERIES LTD

#### **MATERNITY COVER ASSISTANTS**

required for extended hours, term time only Pre-school in Canterbury. To commence employment from January 2010. Possible long term contract available

Pre-school experience essential. Enhanced CRB check will be sought for successful candidate.

Application packs will be sent to those leaving a name/address clearly on 01227 784694 or please email mrsdawn.williams@virgin.net.

Closing date - 8th December 2009

#### Benecare Children's Services RESIDENTIAL SUPPORT WORKERS

#### **SALARY RANGE £11620**

(Trainee Grade) to £24,000 pa. Plus Increments and allowances

We are looking for Residential support workers at all levels.

The work is challenging, rewarding, and important.

To find out more please contact our Manager Lyn Gibbs on 01227 369089 or visit our website to download an application form: www.benecareltd.co.uk or Steve Richmond. Director on 07710 145802 or 01892 740886

#### **NIGHT CONTROL** ROOM OPERATOR

We are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic person to join our team of Control Room Operators who assist in the running of a 24hr Vehicle Breakdown, Recovery and Transportation Company. A knowledge of the industry would be an advantage, but it is essential to have a good telephone manner, common sense and an ability to think logically under pressure.

#### Apply in writing, including a CV to:

Personnel Director, Eclipse Recovery Services Ltd, The Warren, Ratling Road, Ratling, Canterbury, Kent CT3 3BD

Or call 01304 843011 for an Application Form.

Closing date: Friday 4th December 2009

#### ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE MECHANICS

Due to further expansion vacancies exist for Roadside Assistance Mechanics at our depot in Canterbury.

Ideal applicants will possess City & Guilds and have proven experience in the Motor Trade, semi-skilled applicants will be considered as training is available A current CI Category Driving Licence is required. The suitable applicants will be required to work a shift rota which will include nights and weekends. The remuneration package is dependent upon experience but has the potential of high earnings

#### Apply in writing, including a CV to:

Personnel Director, Eclipse Recovery Services Ltd, The Warren, Ratling Road, Ratling, Canterbury, Kent CT3 3BD
Or call 01304 843011 for an Application Form.

Closing date: Friday 4th December 2009



Eythorne Elvington Community Primary School Adelaide Road, Eythorne, Dover CT15 4AN Telephone 01304 830376 Email: office@eythorne-elvington.kent.sch.uk

#### Required for February 2010 **Child and Family Liaison Officer**

Salary range: £16,793 - £18,471 pro rata 25 hours per week term time only

#### We are looking for someone with:

- A good basic education Previous experience of working with children and families
   Good organisational skills and basic computer skills
- . Flexibility able to work before and after school when necessarv

#### We can offer:

- Friendly, caring and supportive staff
   Energetic and exuberant children

We warmly welcome and encourage visits which can be arranged with the school by calling Mrs Thomton 01304 830376 Application forms and job descriptions are also available by telephoning the school

Closing date: Friday 18 December 2009 Interview date: Thursday 14 January 2010

We require part time or full time **COMMUNITY CARE WORKERS** 

for Ashford and the Marsh Applicants must have their own vehicle We offer flexible shifts, which include mornings, evenings and weekends We provide full training, uniform, equipment, CRB check and weekly pay at good rates.

Please call 01797 361889 E.mail countryfolkcare@hotmail.co.uk Fax No. 01797 367493

To advertise in this section

**6** 01303 817040





#### We are a dynamic team where you can really make your mark....

We get results in our state of the art building set in landscaped gardens and can offer a vibrant atmosphere and excellent opportunities to make a difference. We unleash the enthusiasm and expertise of our people and have won the Sunday Times "Best Companies to work for" award four times.

After spectacular growth in 2008, and as the market leader in Holiday Add-ons, (Airport Parking, Hotels & Theatre/Theme Park breaks) we now employ 900 people across the UK & Germany with a turnover of £170 million... and we're still growing!

We are looking for dynamic individuals to join our expanding MI and Web teams at our Newingreen HQ. We can offer a competitive salary along with some great benefits.

**Permanent Roles** MI Analyst - c£25,000 Web Developer - c£22,000 Email Template Builder - c£18,000 **8-Week Contracts** Infrastructure Architect - c£400 per day Program Manager - c£400 per day Integration Architect - c£400 per day

Interested? Please visit our recruitment website www.holidayextras.com/jobs for more information on the above roles. Additional roles coming soon. Closing dates vary per role. No recruitment agencies.









Yorke Lodge Guest House CHAMBER **PERSON** 

To make beds & clean oathrooms Sunday 8am to noo Tel: 01227 451243

#### **Assistant Manager Required For Residential Care Home**

#### In Folkestone

We are looking to recruit an enthusiastic and committed person.

Must have Minimum NVQ Level 3 Qualification, and Experience in the role above.

Please call Miss Julia Carter (Home Manager) on 01303 254019

Subject to satisfactory CRB Check



Saint George's Church of England School Humanities College

Meadow Road, Gravesend Kent DA11 7LS Tel: 01474 533082 Fax: 01474 561536 HEADTEACHER: Mrs A Southgate BDAKC

Church of England, Voluntary Aided, Humanities College 11-18, Mixed, Comprehensive School

#### CURRICULUM LEADER **INCLUSION (SENCO)**

TLR1b (£8,975)

Saint George's C of E School is a successful, innovative and over subscribed comprehensive school.

We are a school committed to inclusion and this is a key position to co-ordinate our inclusion work. The post offers the opportunity to have a real impact on the future life chances of our students.

We are looking for someone with:

- A thorough knowledge of a range of strategies for inclusion
  - An ability to lead, inspire and motivate colleagues
- A commitment to discovering new ways to engage all students A commitment to raising the aspirations and achievement of students
  - Good organisational and interpersonal skills
    - Vision, energy and a positive approach

You will join the school at an exciting time, and will have a major contribution to the design of the new school. As part of the school's vision for continual improvement, you will develop programmes, procedures and policies to support students' needs, promote inclusion and advance the attendance and achievement of all students.

Saint George's C of E School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

All appointments are subject to List 99 and enhanced CRB checks. Please contact us to arrange an informal visit and/or to request further details and an application form.

Email dhariwalj@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk or visit our website www.saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk

Closing Date: 04 December 2009

Be the



#### **Because every** learner deserves the best support

Part-time Lecturer in Skills for Life/ Springboard

0.5fte, 18.5 hrs £11,880 - £16,333 pa Tonbridge

West Kent College's Springboard unit has already achieved outstanding success in engaging and inspiring disaffected learners to maximise their potential. Our close-knit and highly supportive team provides a holistic approach, embracing fresh ideas and innovative teaching strategies to underpin our learners' development.

Now, with growing student numbers, we are seeking an ambitious and enthusiastic Lecturer to join us. Bringing a flexible approach, you will adapt teaching to meet each learner's individual needs, allowing them to progress on their chosen career path. This is an excellent opportunity to help us take this area of learning forward as you play a key role in the department's future.

An experienced tutor of numeracy and literacy, ideally with a subject specialism, you will have a proven track record of working with challenging students and supporting them to achieve their goals. You must also be keen to utilise imaginative new

This College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our users and expects all staff to share this commitment, in order for all to achieve their full potential. The successful applicant will be required to undertake a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check and to provide proof of your right to work in the UK.

To find out more, view our full list of opportunities and apply online, visit www.wkc.ac.uk Alternatively call 01732 376511 or email hr-dept@wkc.ac.uk Please quote ref: KOS13

Closing date: 12noon on 3rd December 2009









## Receive a helping hand searching for a new job

100s of Kent jobs updated daily online from Kent's leading companies, from all sectors of industry



Register your details and we'll email you daily with new jobs that match your search criteria



#### Jobs by email

Be the first to receive the latest top Kent jobs. Register your details and we'll email you daily with new jobs that match your search criteria.



#### Company profiles

Read about Kent's leading companies, view their current job vacancies and contact them with your details.



#### CV Checker and builder

Use our tools and create a first class CV. See how good your CV is and take advantage of a free CV review.



View the latest vacancies with new Jobs posted daily, read full job descriptions and apply online.

Take advantage of our online services and receive Jobs by Email, get professional advice, build your bespoke CV and read Company Profiles from the county's leading recruiter's.

POWERED BY KOS MEDIA



Here to help you find your next job

Advertise your business on yourkentty.co.uk - the Kent local search directory find out more about us and our products and services online

TO ADVERTISE



Email us at classified@kosmedia.co.uk



**Telephone us on** 01303 817000



Fax us on 01303 817001

#### **ADVERTISING**



#### **AERIAL SERVICES**



#### **BUILDING SERVICES**



- Plumbing Electrics Carpentry
- Plastering Rendering
- Damp-proofing Decorating
- Roofing Fascias & Soffits
- Drainage & Groundworks
- Extensions Renovations
- New Builds Garden Design

For a complete and professional service with flair, imagination and experience, call today for a FREE ESTIMATE on 07980 062694 or 01303 872505

#### **CWD Building Services**

Providing a complete build service to make your dreams a reality

#### **ELECTRICIANS**

#### SOUTHGATE **ELECTRICAL** Rewires, alterations, aerials, alarms. FREE quotations. 'Fully qualified' For enquiries call 07889 895394

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**



Tel: 01843 851144 www.eye4image.co.uk 11 High St, St Lawrence, Ramsgate, CT11 OQH

#### **FURNITURE**

#### Why don't you give your Furniture a new lease of life and SAVE MONEY?

We can: • Supply new foam interiors
• Add new fibrefil to arms & backs Repair springs & frames • Repair damaged leather
• Full leather cleaning and recolouring service We offer FREE advice

and we can do all this in your home **Upholstery Solutions in Home** 

01843 225449



#### **PLASTERING / ARTEXING**



#### **AERIAL SERVICES**



#### **ANTIQUES & ART**

#### **Antique Fireplaces**

Add beauty and value to your home by fitting an original or reproduction Victorian or Edwardian cast iron fireplace.

Save money on heating your home with our efficient multifuel stoves and beautifully restored antique fires.

Supply only, or full fitting service provided. Come in and browse our many beautiful fireplaces

Castle Fireplaces Castle Hill Road, Dover (opp LOWER Castle entrance.) 01304 215005 / 07976254140

#### **BUILDING SERVICES**



**►** Roofing **►** Painting **►** Plumbing FGeneral Maintenance

> "Flat Roof Problems? We have the solution"



We are approved installers of Liquid Rubber Unique Roof Bond System. Whether you are suffering from a leaking flat roof or building a new extension, we can help you with all your roofing needs!

> No Call out charge for any emergency leaks or ng requirements Call us now for your free quotation

> > T: 01622 691200

www.phillipsmaintenance.co.uk

#### **HOUSE CLEARANCE**

#### **House Clearance**

Full & Part House Clearances carried out sensitively & efficiently.

To arrange a free quotation please call: 0844 499 4187



#### **SPORTS / ACTIVITIES**



Manston Golf Centre, Manston Road, Manston, CT12 5BE www.positiveimpactgolf.co.uk

#### **INTERIORS / BATHROOMS**



#### **WINDOWS, DOORS & CONSERVATORIES**







### online TV as it happens

Watch the latest web TV sport news and action kentnews.co.uk

**BRACE:** Adam Sidders scored twice for Cliftonville

#### HOCKEY

## Ville hit back in style against Wells

CLIFTONVILLE'S men returned to form at the weekend with a 5-1 thrashing of Tunbridge Wells 2nds.

A 2-1 defeat to league leaders Sutton Valence a week earlier had seen Ville's first-team slip off the pace in Kent 2, but they hit back in style on Saturday. Adam Sidders opened the scoring and James Perks doubled the lead before half-time.

Perks grabbed two more after the break to complete his hat-trick and Sidders powered home a fifth before the visitors scored a consolation late on.

Ville's top ladies side also tasted victory, beating Bromley & Beckenham 3rds 2-0 to maintain their 100 per cent league record and stay top of Kent Women's Outdoor Division 1.

Ville 1st XI dominated early on and scored midway through the first-half when Rachael Ruocco-Buchanan set up Hannah Kyle.

Toni Lawrence doubled the lead in the second-half and Ville went on to close out the game and take a commanding eight point lead at the top of the table.

at the top of the table.

The club's men's second-team hammered Tunbridge Wells' 3rds 8-1. Mike Knell and Will Adams did most of the damage in the first-half, netting a hat-trick each. Another for Knell and one for Rob Macer completed the rout in the second-half.

# Frustrated boss can't wait to get a game

#### **FOOTBALL**

#### **■** BY **STEVE TERVET**

MARGATE manager Mark Butler admitted his increasing frustration at the lack of games his side have played since he arrived at Hartsdown Park more than a month ago.

Butler has yet to manage his first home game, and must now wait until the visit of Harrow Borough on December 5 after Billericay Town – who Gate were scheduled to face last night – forced an FA Trophy replay with Hitchin Town.

In the absence of a first-team game, Butler fielded two of his three new signings in Saturday's reserve team game against Ashford – a game which ended 0-0.

The manager also hopes to complete the signing of Sutton United's Brad Thomas after the defender appeared alongside midfielders Ben Clarke and James Duncan in Saturday's draw

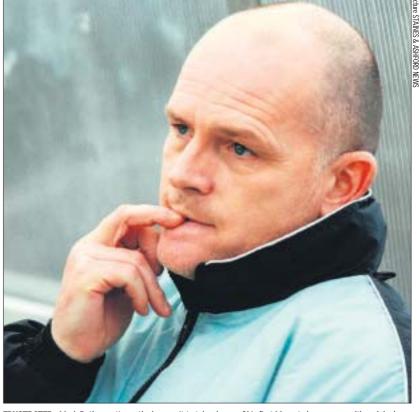
#### Discussions

Butler told Yourthanet: "We looked at Brad and he had a look at us and discussions are ongoing this week. On Saturday, he played like he was above that level – I'm not knocking the lad, he played in the FA Cup first round against Hereford, but that's an issue we need to look at this week.

"I played Ben Clarke at right-back in the first-half and he looked the obvious threat. If I'd had Ben and Anthony Joseph (who was taken ill) both playing, I would maybe have tried a different formation.

"James Duncan was quietly effective – that's his game, he plays like David Batty, breaking up play and giving it short. He will be one of those players we miss when he's not playing."

Lloyd Blackman's last-minute penalty clinched a 4-3 win for Margate at fellow strugglers Waltham Abbey last Tuesday and the



**FRUSTRATED:** Mark Butler continues the long wait to take charge of his first Margate home game, although he has made three additions to his squad, whom he played in a reserve game against Ashford at the weekend

win was enough to lift Butler's side clear of the relegation zone.  $\,$ 

He said: "It never helps when you go into the bottom four, it adds more pressure and it's up to you how you deal with that. I thought we reacted really well to get out of there instantly.

"It's so frustrating without games as we can't build any momentum, although the plus side

of training is we've been able to get to know all the boys really well.

"Waltham have only lost one of their last four and our other game was away at Hastings, who are the form team in the division and we dominated them for a half. We do need to improve but on the other hand, I'm thinking, 'maybe things aren't quite so bad after all."

### Shop Local First Incentive Card

Over 100 reasons to shop locally...

Have you got yours

Don't forget Christmas is just around the

Visit www.thanet.gov.uk or call 01843 577000.



### We can fulfil our potential, says Vas

#### **RUGBY**

THANET Wanderers face struggling Maidstone on Saturday, with head coach Darryl Vas touting the game at The Mote as a crucial four-pointer.

Maidstone have won only once all season and are prime candidates for relegation from London 1 South alongside Aylesford Bulls, but Vas knows they will be targeting Wanderers – only one place and two wins better off – as a must-win game.

Wanderers – only one place and two wins better off – as a must-win game.

He said: "Maidstone is a key game, they will believe Aylesford are gone so they'll be looking for an alternative team to take their place.

"We are the closest team to them so it really is a four-pointer. We're in the bottom half which means we're struggling against relegation rather than fighting for proportion"

Without a game, the Wanderers' players were given a weekend off after two hard



CRUCIAL: Thanet Wanderers have regrouped ahead of Saturday's crunch match at Maidstone

fitness and conditioning training sessions the previous week.

While results have gone against them in recent weeks – six defeats in their last seven matches – Vas believes he is close to finding the winning formula once again, with Saturday the ideal opportunity to draw closer to those in mid-table.

He said: "There's not that much wrong,

unlike last year when we were getting tonked by the bigger teams.

"We were close to beating Chichester and Dover, two of the top teams, and we just need our decision-makers, the likes of Neil Roby to start running games

Roby, to start running games.

"I'm confident that if the players apply themselves, we will fulfil our potential and we certainly won't finish third-bottom."

## **High-flying Stortford put** end to Rams' FA Cup hopes

#### **FOOTBALL**

BY **YOURTHANET REPORTER** 

#### Ramsgate 0

#### **Bishop's Stortford 3**

Nicholls 29, Sulaiman 41, Riddle 82

RAMSGATE'S FA Trophy dream came to an abrupt end on Saturday as they came unstuck against Blue Square South high-flyers Bishop's Stortford at Southwood.

Having gone toe-to-toe with their more illustrious opponents in the early stages, the Rams handed Stortford a two-goal half-time advantage with a couple of defensive blunders and they never recovered from the deficit.

Jim Ward's side came into the game having seen off Leyton, Leatherhead and Fleet in earlier rounds, and without having lost in six matches in all competitions.

Indeed, the hosts were the first to settle and Gary Mickelborough could have given them an early lead when his back-header had Blues goalkeeper Nicky Eyre scrambling to tip the ball over.

It was against the run of play, then, when Stortford took the lead just before the halfhour mark. When Jason Dolby slipped, former





**DENIED:** Warren Schulz (pictured left) went close for Ramsgate against Bishop's Stortford, while Will Graham (pictured right) had his claims for a penalty waved away

Welling striker Charlie Sheringham pounced and laid the ball to Ashley Nicholls, who made no mistake with a calm finish that gave Danny Twyman no chance.

The dangerous Sheringham continued to worry the Rams backline and their nerves were evident ten minutes later when another error allowed Hassan Sulaiman the time and space to thunder a second past Twyman to effectively seal the result.

However, Warren Schulz fired a free-kick narrowly wide just before the break and the Rams came out firing in the second-half and



Subs used: Tsangarides (Lockyer 52), Lawson (Quinn 74), Pettit (Gregory 80)

could twice have got themselves back on level

Dolby almost atoned for his earlier misdemeanour when his stinging half-volley drew a good save from Eyre, before Will Graham's shot appeared to strike an arm in the Stortford penalty area, although the referee waved away the home side's appeals.

Stortford rubber-stamped their passage to the first round proper with eight minutes remaining, Sheringham pulling back Lewis Smith's cross and Louis Riddle slotting past Twyman from close range after he was picked out, unmarked, in the box.

Even then, Ramsgate could have struck back with a consolation, but Simon Pettit conspired to blaze over from six-yards in stoppage-time to sum up the Rams' afternoon and leave Ward concentrating on a hectic programme of forthcoming fixtures.

Ramsgate were back in Ryman One South action last night as they travelled to face Chatham Town. Log on to www. yourthanet.co.uk for the match details.

### **KENT CRICKET**

KENT'S opening game on their return to Division One of the LV County Championship next season will be a trip to play Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge, starting on April 15.

The county's 2010 fixture list was released last week and Kent's first home championship game, following their Division Two title success this year, will be against Yorkshire at Canterbury, starting on April 21.

- 10 KENT v Loughborough UCCE, St Lawrence University match 15 Nottinghamstire v KENT, Trent Bridge LVCC Div 1 21 KENT v fortesitire, St Lawrence LVCC Div 1 25 KENT STIFITES v Warwickinie Bears, St Lawrence ECB 40 League 27 Lancashire v KENT, Old Trafford LVCC Div 1

- VIALI

   KENT SPITFIRES v Durham Dynamos, St Lawrence EC8 40 League

   KENT v Warwickshire, St Lawrence LVCC Div 1.

   Nottinghamshire Outhaws v KENT SPITFIRES, firent Bridge EC8 40 League

  O Essev v KENT, Chelmsford LVCC Div 1.

   SWARWICKSHIRE Bears v KENT SPITFIRES, Eddpaston EC8 40 League

  7 KENT v Durham St Lawrence LVCC Div 3.
- 17 KENT v Durham, St Lawrence LVCC Div1 22 Scottish Saltines v KENT SPITFIRES, Citylets Grange ECB 40 League 24 Durham v ENT, Riverside LVCC Div1 31 KENT SPITFIRES v Scottish Saltires, St Lawrence ECB 40 League

- JUNE
  2 Essex Eagles v KENT SPITFIRES, Chelmsford Twenty/20 Cup
  3 Hampshire Hawks v KENT SPITFIRES, The Rose Bowl Twenty/20 Cup
  4 KENT v Hottinghamshire, The Nevill Ground LVCC Div 1
  4 KENT v Hottinghamshire, The Nevill Ground LVCC Div 1
  9 KENT SPITFIRES v Susers, Sarks, IBC Twenty/20 Cup
  1 KENT SPITFIRES v Middlesex Parthers, TBC Twenty/20 Cup
  3 Surry Brown Caps v KENT SPITFIRES, The Brit Oval Twenty/20 Cup
  30 KENT SPITFIRES v Surrey Brown Caps, KENT SPITFIRES V Surrey Brown Caps, KENT SPITFIRES V Surrey Brown Caps, TBC Twenty/20 Cup
  23 KENT SPITFIRES v Surrey Brown Caps, TBC Twenty/20 Cup
  27 Sussex Sharks v KENT SPITFIRES Lords Twenty/20 Cup
  28 KENT v Pakistan, St Lawrence Tourist match

- OLT
  KENT SPITFIRES v Hampshire Hawks, TBC Twenty20 Cup
  KENT SPITFIRES v Gloucestershire Gladiators, TBC Twenty20 Cup
  Hampshire v KENT, The Rose Bowl LVCC Div 1

- namusaniev n.chv., Ine Nose Bowl LVLC UN 1
   New TSPITIES V Sexe Lagles, TBC Twenty20 Cup
   11 KENT SPITIES V SCALAGORIA
   16 Clamorgan Dragons V.ENT SPITIES, The Swales Stadium Twenty20 Cup
   18 Somerset Sabres V.ENT SPITIERS, Taunton IWerty20 Cup
   20 Somerset V.ENT, Taunton LVCC Div 1
   25 KENT SPITIES V Hampslike Hawks, St Lawrence ECB 40 League
   29 KENT TV Essex, St Lawrence LVCC Div 1

- AUGUST
  3 KENT y Somerset, St Lawrence LVCC Div 1
  8 KENT SPITFIRES v Leicestershire Foxes, St Lawrence ECB 40 League
  12 England (ID) v Australia (LI) St Lawrence Under-19 ODI
  13 England (ID) v Australia (LI), St Lawrence Under-19 ODI
  18 KENT v Lancashire, St Lawrence LVCC Div 1
  22 KENT SPITFIRES v Mottinghamshire Outfaws, St Lawrence ECB 40 League
  29 Hampshire Hawks v KENT SPITFIRES, The Rose Bowl ECB 40 League
  30 Leicestershire Foxes V KENT SPITFIRES, Grace Road ECB 40 League
  31 Warwickshire v KENT, Edgbaston LVCC Div 1

- Durham Dynamos v KENT SPITFIRES, Riverside ECB 40 League
- 7 KENT v Hampshire, St Lawrence LVCC D 13 Yorkshire v KENT, Headingley LVCC Div 1

#### **LEAGUE TABLES** (not including midweek games) RYMAN PREMIER LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Dartford	14	12	2	0	+36	38
2 Hastings United	17	10	3	4	+8	33
3 Kingstonian	16	8	1	7	-1	25
4 Canvey Island	15	7	3	5	+3	24
5 Tonbridge Angels	15	7	1 3 3 5	5	+2	24
6 Wealdstone	12	6	5	1	+7	23
7 Boreham Wood	14	7	2	5	+6	23
8 Sutton United	14	7	1	6	+5	22
9 Maidstone United	15	6	4	5 5	+2	22
10 Carshalton Athletic	15	6	4	5	0	22
11 Ashford Town (Middx)		6	4	7	-4	22
12 Horsham	13	6	2	5	+5	20
13 Tooting & Mitcham United	13	6	2	5	+1	20
14 Aveley	14	5	3	6	0	18
15 Margate	14	5	<b>2</b> 5	7	-10	17
16 Waltham Abbey	17	4		8	-11	17
17 Harrow Borough	14	4	4	6	-3	16
18 AFC Hornchurch	15	4	4	7	-4	16
19 Hendon	13	4	2	7	-4	14
20 Cray Wanderers	16	3	3	10	-15	12
21 Bognor Regis Town	16	2	5	9	-12	11
22 Billericay Town	13	1	6	6	-11	9

#### RYMAN DIVISION ONE SOUTH

ICTION IN DIVIOLOIS	0.11					
1 Worthing	17	11	1	5	+13	34
2 Folkestone Invicta	15	10	4	1	+12	34
3 Walton & Hersham	15	9	3	3	+10	30
4 Godalming Town	14	9	2	3	+12	29
5 Fleet Town	15	8	2	5	+10	26
6 Merstham	15	8	2	5	+3	26
7 Croydon Athletic	13	7	4	2	+19	25
8 Chatham Town	17	7	3	7	-3	24
9 Metropolitan Police	17	5	7	5	+7	22
10 Corinthian-Casuals	16	6	3	7	0	22 21 19 19 19
11 Whyteleafe	16	6	1	9	+4	19
12 Ramsgate	14	5	4	5	+3	19
13 Sittingbourne	14	5	4	<b>5</b> 5	0	19
14 Dulwich Hamlet	16	4	7	5	-3	19
15 Leatherhead	13	5	3	5	+4	18
16 Burgess Hill Town	13	5	3	5	0	18
17 Walton Casuals	15	4	4	7	-6	16
18 Eastbourne Town	15	3	5	7	-5	14
19 Horsham YMCA	14	3	4	7	-15	13
20 Ashford Town	15	2	5	8	-24	1
21 Chipstead	14	2	4	8	-14	10
22 Whitstable Town	15	2	1	12	-27	7

**FIXTURES:** (Saturday): Ryman Division One South: Ramsgate v Corinthian Casuals; (Sunday): Ryman Premier Division: Cray Wanderers v Margate

## We couldn't have done any more, says Ward

#### **FOOTBALL**

JIM Ward admitted his Ramsgate side were second best in their FA Trophy defeat to Bishop's Stortford and said his players could not have done more to win.

Having taken Ramsgate to the FA Cup first round proper in 2005-06, the Rams boss had hoped to repeat the trick in the Trophy but two first-half goals cut short his aspirations at the third qualifying round stage.

He said: "We made a couple of mistakes and we got punished – you can't afford to do that against a team from a higher division because they will make you pay.
"Bishop's Stortford are no world-beaters,

but they've got five or six really good quality players and they were better than us on

"My players did everything I asked of them. They came in at half-time feeling like they'd let themselves down, but I told them to go out and enjoy it in the second-half."
Ward felt a number of decisions had gone

the way of the visitors, and had the officials seen things differently, the game may have taken a different direction. He said: "In the second-half we should have

had two penalties - Sam Jones got chopped down and the referee missed a blatant handball. It would have made it very interesting if we'd scored at that point.



side well heaten

Dartford and now we've had Bishop's "We've had three huge games recently – we Stortford. We didn't deserve to win but we beat Croydon, we should have beaten didn't disgrace ourselves.'



KINGS ROAD GARAGE
1-9 KINGS ROAD, HERNE BAY
TEL: (01227) 373911 & 742362
OPEN: MON-FRI 8.00-5.00 • SAT 8.30-12 NOON
ESTABLISHED 1968



TYRES - CAR - VAN - 4X4 LEADING BRANDS

- HIGH QUALITY BUDGET RANGE MOTORCYCLE TYRES AND



**EXHAUSTS** TOP QUALITY WALKER & TIMAX SYSTEMS.

**SERVICING & MOT REPAIRS BATTERIES** - LARGE STOCKS, CAR, VAN & LEISURE

2003/03 MERCEDES CLK 270 CDI AUTO AVANTGARDE, SILVER, 52,000 MILES, SERVICE HISTORY . . . . . £10,98

2004/04 MAZDA MX5 1.6 SILVER, SERVICE HISTORY

**RYMAN LEAGUE SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER** WHITSTABLE V ASHFORD



# whycompromise onyourfacilities??

With indoor and outdoor heated pools, sauna, steam room and jacuzzi, you will be spoilt for choice.

Regular Aqua classes available, included in our timetable of 86 classes per week. Call today and book your free tour.

Westwood Farm, Westwood Rd, Broadstairs

01843 600606

Bannatyne's Health Club